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AT THE
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gonne at Westmynster, the
xxij. of Januarie in the fyfthe
yeare of the raygne of oure So-
ueraigne Ladye, Elizabeth by the
grace of God, of England, Fraunce
and Ireland, Quene, Defen-
doure of the fapth. &c.

And there prozoked tyll the. xxv. of
the same moneth, and then and there holden, kepte,
and continued vntyll the dissolution of the
same, being the eyght day of May then
next ensuinge, were enacted as
foloweth,

Anno. 1.5.5.9.



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AN Acte restoringe to

the Crowne the auncient Jurisdiction ouer the state
Ecclesiasticall and Spirituall, and abolishinge all
forayne power repugnaunt to the same,



Doste humblye beseeche
your mooste excellent maie-
ste, your saythfull, and obe-
dyente subiectes, the Lordes
Spirituall and Temporall,
and the commons in this your
present parliament assembled,
That where in tyme of the
raygne of your mooste dere fa-
ther of worthy memory kyng
Henry theight, diuerse good
lawes & statutes were made

and establisshed, as well for the better extinguisshment and puttynge
awaye of all vsurped and forayne powers and auctorities oute of
this your Realme, & other your hyghnes Dominions and countreys, as
also for the restoringe and vnytinge to the imperyal Crowne of this
Realme, the aunciente iurisdiccions, auctorities, superiories, and
preheminences to the same of ryght belongynge and appertaynyng,
by reason wherof wee your mooste humble and obedient subiectes, fro
the .xxv. yere of the reigne of your sayde dere father, were continual-
ly kept in good order, and were disburdeyned of diuers greate and in-
tollerable charges and exactions before that tyme vnlawfully taken,
and exacted by suche forayne power and auctoritie as before that
was vsurped, vntyll suche tyme as all the sayde good lawes and sta-
tutes, by one acte of parlyamente made in the fyrste and second yeres
of the raygues of the late kyng Phylippe and Quene Mary, your
hyghnes sister, entituled . An acte repealyng all statutes, articles,
and prouysons made agaynst the See apostolique of Rome, synce
the .xx. yere of kyng Henry theight, and also for the establisshment of al
spirituall and ecclesiasticall possessions and hereditamentes conueied
to the layty, were all clearly repealed and made boide, as by the same
acte of repeale more at large doth and maye appeare. By reasonne of
whiche acte of repeale, your sayde humble subiectes were esteslonnes
brought vnder an vsurped foraine power and auctoritie, and yet do
remayne in that bondage, to the intollerable charges of your louyng
subiectes

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subiectes if some redresse (by aucthoritye of this your high court of parliament with thassent of your highnes) be not had and prouyded.

Maye it therfore please your highnes, for the repressyng of the sayd blurped forrayne power, and the restorpyng of the ryghtes, iurisdiccions, and preheminences, appertaynyng to the emperyal crowne of thys your realme, that it maye be enacted by aucthoritye of thys present parliament, & the said acte made in the said first & second yeares of the reygne of the sayd late kynge Philip & Quene Mary, & all and euery braunch, clauses, & articles therein conteyned (other then suche braunches, clauses, and sentences, as hereafter shalbe excepted) maye from the laste daye of thys Session of parliament, by aucthoritye of this present parlyamente, be repealed, and shal from thennsforth be utterly voyde and of none effecte.

And that also for the reuyuinge of dyuers of the sayd good lawes and statutes made in þ tyme of your said dere father it may also please your highnes, that one acte and Statute made in the .xxiii. yeare of the reygne of the sayde late kynge Henry the eighte, entituled. An acte that no person shalbe cyted out of the dyoces where he or she dwelleth, except in certayne cases. And one other acte made in the .xxiiii. yeare of the reygne of the sayde late kynge, entituled. An acte that appeales in suche cases as hath bene vsed to be pursued to the sea of Rome, shal not be from henceforth had ne vsed, but within this realme. And one other acte made in the .xxv. yeare of the sayde late kynge, concernyng restraynte of paymente of annates and fyrste fruytes of archbishopps, and byshopps to the Sea of Rome. And one other acte in the sayde .xxv. yeare, entytuled, an acte concernyng the submyssyon of the cleargye to the kynges maiestie. And also one acte made in the sayd .xxv. yeare, entytuled, an acte restraynyng the paymente of annates or fyrst fruytes to the byshop of Rome, and of the electyng and consecratyng of archebysoppes and bysoppes within this realme. And one other acte made in the sayd .xxv. yere, entituled, an acte concernyng the exoneration of the kynges subiectes from exactions and impositions heretofore payd to the sea of Rome, and for haupyng licences and dispensations within this realme, without saynge further for the same. And one other acte made in the .xxvi. yeare of the sayde late kynge entituled, an act for nomination and consecration of Suffragans within this realme. And also one other acte made in the .xxviii. yeare of the reygne of the sayd late kynge entituled, an acte for the release of suche as haue obteyned pretended lycences and dispensations from the Sea of Rome, and al and euery braunches, wordes, and sentences in the sayde seuerall actes and statutes, conteyned by aucthoritye of this present parlyament, from and at all tymes after the last day of this Session of parliament, shalbe reuined, and shal stand and be in full

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full force and strength, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes. And that the braunches, sentences, and wordes of the sayde severall actes, and euery of them, from thensforth shall and may be iudged, deemed, and taken to extend to your hyghnes, your heyres and successors as fully and largely as euer the same actes or any of them did extende to the sayd late kynge Henry theyght your hyghnes father.

And that it maye also please your hyghnes, that it maye be enacted by thauctozitye of this present parliament, that so muche of one acte or Statute made in the. xxij. yere of the reygne of your sayde dere father kynge Henry theyght entituled, an acte concernynge precontractes of mariages, and touchynge degrees of consanguinitie, as in the tyme of the late kynge Edward the fyrste, your hyghnes mooste dere brother, by one other acte or Statute was not repealed. And also one acte made in the. xxxvij. yere of the reygne of the sayd late kynge Henry theyght, entituled, an acte, that doctours of the cyuple lawe beyng maried, maye exercise ecclesiasticall iurisdiction, and all and euerye braunches, and articles in the sayde two actes laste mentioned, and not repealed in the tyme of the sayde late kinge Edward the fyrst may from hensforth lyke wyse stande and be reuyued, and remayne in their full force and strength, to all intentes and purposes, any thing conteined in the sayd acte of repeale before mentioned, or anye other matter or cause to the contrary notwithstandinge.

And that it maye also please your highnes that it may be further enacted by thaucthoritie aforesaid, that al other lawes and Statutes and the braunches and clauses of anye acte or Statute repealed and made voyd by the sayd acte of repeale, made in the tyme of the said late kynge Whyllyp and Quene Mary, and not in this present act specially mentioned and reuiued, shall stande, remayne, and be repealed & voyd in suche lyke manner and fourme as they were before the makynge of this acte, anye thinge herein contayned to the contrary notwithstandinge.

And that it may also please your hyghnes, that it may be enacted by thauctozity aforesaid, that one act and Statute made in the fyrste yere of the reygne of the late kinge Edward the fyrste, youre maiesties mooste dere brother, entituled, an acte agaynste suche persones as shall vntreuerentlye speake agaynst the Sacramente of the bodye and bloude of Christe, commonlye called the Sacramente of the altar, and for the receauinge thereof vnder bothe kyndes, and all and euerye braunches, clauses, and sentences therein conteyned, shall and maye lyke wyse from the laste daye of this Session of parliamente, be reuyued, and from thensforth shall and maye stande, remayne, and be in full force, strengthe and effecte, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, in suchlike maner and fourme, as the same was at any time

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in the fyrst year of the reigne of the said late king Edward the first, any law, statut, or other matter to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And that also it maye please your hyghnes that it may be further established and enacted by thaucthoritye aforesayde, that one Acte and Statute made in the fyrste and seconde years of the sayde late kinge Whyllyppe and Quene Mary, entituled, an acte for the reuyvinge of thre statutes made for the punishment of heresies, and also the sayde three statutes mentioned in the sayde acte, and by the same acte reuyued, and all and euery branches, articles, clauses, and sentence conteyned in the sayd seuerall actes or statutes and euery of theim, shalbe from the last daye of this Session of parliament, demed and remayne vtterly repealed, boyde, and of none effecte, to all intentes and purposes, any thyng in the sayde seuerall actes, or anye of them conteyned, or any other matter or cause to the contrary notwithstandinge.

And to the intent that all vsurped and forrayne power and aucthoritye spirituall and temporall, may for euer be clearelye extinguisshed, and neuer to be vsed or obeyed within this Realme, or any other your maiesties dominions or countreyes. May it please your hyghnes that it maye be further enacted by thauthoritie aforesayd, that no forrayn prince, parsonne, prelate, State, or potentate, spirituall or temporall, shall at any tyme after the last daye of this Session of parliament, vse enioye or exercise any maner of power, iurisdiction, superioryte, aucthoritye, preheminence or priuylege spirituall or ecclesiasticall within this realme, or within any other your maiesties dominions or countreys that now be or hereafter shalbe, but fro thennsforth the same shall be clearly abolished out of this realme, & al other your highnes dominions for euer, any statute, ordinance, custome, constitutions, or any other matter or cause whatsoever to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And that also it maye lyke wyse please your hyghnes, that it maye be established and enacted by thaucthoritye aforesayde, that such iuridictions, priuyleges, superiories, and preheminences spirituall and ecclesiasticall, as by any spirituall or ecclesiastycall power or aucthoritye hathe heretofore bene, or maye lawfullye be exercised or vsed, for the bysytation of the ecclesiastycall State and personnes, and for reformation, order, and correction of the same, and of all maner errours, heresies, scismes, abuses, offences, contemptes, and enormities, shall for euer by aucthoritye of this present parlyamente, be vnyted and annexed to the imperyll Crowne of this Realme. And that your highnes your heires and successours, kynges or queenes of this realme shail haue ful power and aucthoritie by vertue of this act, by letters patentes vnder the greute seale of Englande, to assygne, name, and aucthorise, when and as often as your hyghnes, your heires or successours shall thinke mete and conuenient, and for suche and
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so longe tyme as shall please your hyghnes, your heires or successours, suche personne or personnes beyng naturall borne subiectes to your hyghnes, your heires or successours, as your maiestie, your heires, or successours, shall thinke mete to exercise, vse, occuppe, and execute vnder your hyghnes your heires and successours, all manner of iurisdiction, priuileges, and preheminences in anye wyle touchyng or concernyng anye spirytuall or ecclesiastycall iurisdiction wythin these your Realmes of Englande and Irelande, or any other your hyghnes Dominions or countreys, and to vsyte, resourme, redresse, order, correcte and amende all suche errors, heresies, scismes, abuses, offences contempts and enormities whatsoeuer, whiche by anye manner spirytuall or ecclesiastycall power, auctorite or iurisdiction, can or maye lawfully be resourmed ordered redressed corrected restrained or amended, to the pleasure of almyghty God, the increase of vertue, and the conseruation of the peace and vnytie of this realme. And that such person or personnes so to be named assigned auctorized and appoynted by your hyghnes, your heires or successours, after the sayd letters patentes to hym or them made and deliuered as is aforesayde, shall haue full power and auctorite by vertue of this acte and of the sayde letters patentes vnder your hyghnes your heires or successours, to exercise, vse and execute all the premysse, accordyng to the tenoure and effecte of the sayde letters patentes. Anye matter or cause to the contrary in any wyle notwithstandinge.

And for the better obseruation and mayntenaunce of this acte, maye it please your hyghnes that it maye be further enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that all and euery Archebyschoppe, Byschoppe, and all and euery other ecclesiastycall person, and other ecclesiastycall officer and mynister, of what estate dignitie preheminence or degree soeuer he or they be, or shalbe, and all and euery temporall Judge, Iusticer, Mayre, and other laye or temporal officer and minister, and euery other personne, hauyng your hyghnes fee or wages within this realme, or anye your hyghnes domynions, shall make, take, and receaue a corporall othe vpon the euangelyst, befoze suche person or personnes as shall please your hyghnes, your heires or successours, vnder the greate Seale of Englande, to assygne and name, to accepte, and take the same, accordyng to the tenoure and effecte hereafter followinge. That is to saye, *I A.B.* do betterly testyfy and declare in my conscience, that the quenes hyghnes is the onely supream gouernoure of this realme, and of all other her hyghnes Dominions and countreys, as well in all spirytuall or ecclesiastycall thinges or causes, as temporall, and þat no forayne prince, parson, prelate, state or potentate, hath or ought to haue any iurisdiction, power, superiourite, preheminence, or auctorite ecclesiastycall or spiritual within this realme, & therefore

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fore I do vtterly renounce and forlake all forrayne iurisdiccions, powers, superiories and aucthorities, and do promyse that from henceforth I shall beare sayth and trewe allegiaunce to the Quenes highnes, her heyres and lawfull successours, and to my power shall assyste and defend all iurisdiccions, priuileges, preheminences, and aucthorities graunted or belonging to the Quenes hyghnes, her heyres and successours, or vnitid & annexed to thimperyall crowne of this realme so helpe me god, and by the contentes of this booke.

And that it maye be also enacted, that yf anye suche archebyschop, Byschop, or other ecclesiastycall offycer or mynyster, or anye of the sayd temporall iudges, iusticiars, or other lay officer or minister, shal peremptoriely or obstinately refuse to take or receaue the sayde othe, That then he so refusynge shall forseyte and lose onely durynge his life all and euery ecclesiasticall and spyrytuall promotion, benefyce and offyce, and euery temporall and lay promotion and office, which he hath solye at the tyme of suche refusall made, and that the whole tittle, interest, and incumbencye in euery such promotion, benefyce, and other offyce, as agaynst suche person onely so refusynge, durynge his lyfe, shal clearely cease, and be voyde, as though the partye so refusynge were dead. And that also al and euery suche person and persons so refusing to take the sayd othe, shall immediatelly after suche refusall, be frome thensforth durynge his lyfe disabled to retayne or exercise anye office, or other promotion, which he at the tyme of suche refusall hath ioyntly or in common with any other person or personnes, And that all and euery person and persons that at any time hereafter shal be preferred, promoted, or collated to any Archebyschoprycke or Byschoprycke, or to anye other spyrytuall or ecclesiasticall benefyce, promotyon, dignite, office or ministry, or that shalbe by your hyghnes, your heyres or successours, preferred or promoted to any temporal or lay office, ministeri or seruice within this realme, or in any your hyghnes dominions, before he or they shal take vpon him or them to receaue, vse, exercise, supplie, or occuppe anye suche archebyschoprycke, byschoprycke, promotion, dignitie office, mynistrye or seruice, shal lykewylse make, take, and receaue the sayde corporal othe before mentioned, vpon the euangelyst, before such persones as haue or shall haue aucthorite to admytte anye suche person to any such office, ministry, or seruice, or els before suche person or persons as by your highnes your heires or successours, by commissiō vnder the great Seale of England, shalbe named, assigned or appointed to minister the sayd othe. And that it maye lykewylse be further enacted by the aucthorite aforesayd, that if anye suche person or personnes as at anye time hereafter shal be promoted, preferred, or collated to anye suche promotion spyrytuall or ecclesiastycall benefyce, offyce, or mynistrye, or that by your hyghnes, your heyres or successours, shalbe

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promoted or preferred to anye temporall or laye office, mynistrye, or seruyce, shal and do peremptorylye and obstinatelye refuse to take the same othe so to hym to be offred, that then he or they so refusynge, shal presentlye be iudged disabled in the lawe, to receaue, take, or haue the same promotion Spyrtyuall, or Ecclesiastical, the same temporall of- fyce, mynistrye, or seruyce within this realme, or any other your hygh- nes dominions, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes.

And that it maye be further enacted by the aucthoritye aforesayd that all and euery person and persons temporall, supnge lyuery, or ou- stre le mayne, out of the handes of your hyghnes, your heires or suc- cessours, before his or theyr liuery or oustre le mayne sued forth and al- lowed, and euery temporall person or persons, doyng any homage to your hyghnes, your heires or successours, or that shalbe receyued into seruyce with your highnes, your heires or successours, shal make, take, and receaue the sayde corporall othe before mentioned, before the Lorde chauncellour of Englande, or the lorde keeper of the great seale for the tyme beyng, or before suche person or persones as by your hyghnes, your heires, or successours shalbe named and appoynted to accepte or receaue the same. And that also all and euerye personne and persons takynge orders, and all and euerye other person and persons, whiche shal be promoted or preferred to anye degree of learnynge in anye vniuersitie within this your Realme or domynions, before he shal receaue or take anye suche orders, or be preferred to anye suche de- gree of learnynge, shal make, take, and receaue the sayde othe by this acte set forth and declared, as is aforesayd, before his or theyr ordyna- ry, Comissary, Chauncellour, or vicechauncellour, or theyr sufficiente Deputies in the sayd vniuersitie.

Provided alwayes, and that it may be further enacted by the aucto- ritye aforesayd, that if any person hauing any estate of inheritaunce in any temporall office or offices, shal hereafter obstinately and peremp- torilye refuse to accept and take the sayde othe as is aforesayde, and af- ter at any tyme duringe his life, shal willingly requyre to take and re- ceauue the sayd oth, and so do take & accept the same oth before any per- son or persones that shal haue lawfull aucthoritye to minister the same. That then euerye suche person immediately after he hath so receiued the same othe, shalbe vested, iudged, and demed in lyke estate and pos- session of the sayd office, as he was before the sayd refusal, and shal and may vse and exercyse the sayd office, in suche maner and fourme as he shoulde or myghte haue done before suche refusall, anye thyng in this acte conteyned to the contrarye in anye wyse notwithstandinge.

And for the more sure obseruation of this acte, and the vtter extinguyshment of all forrayne and vsurped power and aucthoritye, may

maye it please your highnes that it maye be further enacted by the
 authoritie aforesayde, that yf any person or persons, dwellinge or in-
 habitinge within this your Realme, or in anye other your highnes
 Realmes or Dominions, of what estate, dignitie, or Degree soever
 he or they be, after the ende of .xxx. daies next after the Determination of
 this session of this present parliamente, shall by wytyng, pryncyng,
 teachyng, preaching, expresse wordes, dede, or acte, advisedly, mal-
 cyously, and dyrectlye aspyne, holde, stande with, sette forth,
 mayntayne, or defende the authoritie, prehemynence, power, or iuris-
 diction spyrituall or ecclesiastical, of any forrayne prync, prelate, par-
 son State, or potentate whatsoever, heretofore claimed, used, or usur-
 ped within this Realme, or any Dominion or countrey, beyng within
 or vnder the power, Dominion, or obeyssaunce of your highnes, or shall
 aduysedlye, malcyously, and directlye putte in bye, or execute anye
 thyng for the extolling, aduancement, setting forth, mayntenaunce,
 or defence of any suche pretended, or usurped iurisdiction, power, pre-
 hemynence, or authoritie, or any parte therof. That then euery suche
 person and persons so doyng and offendyng, theyr abbettours, ap-
 dours, procurers, and counsaylours, beyng therof lawfully conuicted
 and attaynted, accordyng to the due order and course of the common
 lawes of this realme, for his or theyr fyrste offence, shall forseyte and
 lose vnto your highnes, your heires and successours, al his and theyr
 goodes and cattels, as well reall as personall. And yf any such person
 so conuicted or attaynted, shall not haue, or be worthy of his proper
 goodes and Cattels, to the value of .xx.li. at the tyme of suche his con-
 uiction or attaynder, that then euery such person so conuicted and at-
 taynted, ouer and besydes the forseyture of all his sayde goodes and
 cattelles, shall haue and suffer imprisonmente by the space of one hole
 yere, withoute baile or maynpyle. And that also all and euery the
 benefices, prebendes, and other ecclesiastical promotions and dygni-
 ties whatsoever, of euery spiritual person so offendyng, and beyng
 attaynted, shall immediately after suche attayndout be utterly boide,
 to all intentes and purposes, as though the incumbent thereof were
 deade, and that the patron and donoure of euery suche benefice, pre-
 bende, spyrituall promotion and dygnitie, shall and maye lawfullye
 present vnto the same, or geue the same, in such maner and fourme, as
 yf the sayde incumbent were deade. And yf anye suche offender, or of-
 fendours, after suche conuiction or attaynder, do eschone committe or
 do the sayde offences, or any of them, in maner and fourme aforesayd,
 and be thereof dulye conuicted and attaynted as is aforesayde, That
 then euery suche offendout and offendours, shall for the same seconde
 offence, incurre into the daungers, penalties, and forseytures, ordey-
 ned and prouyded by the statute of prouision and preminite, made in
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the. xvi. year of the reigne of king Richard the second. And if any such offendour or offendours, at any tyme after the sayd second conuiction and attayndoure, do the thyrde tyme commit and doe the sayde offences, or anye of them, in maner and fourme aforesayde, and be thereof duelye conuicted and attaynted as is aforesayde. That then euerye suche offence or offences shall be demed and adiudged hyghe treason, and that the offendoure and offendours therein, beyng thereof lawfullye conuicted and attaynted, accordynge to the lawes of thys Realme, shall suffre paynes of deathe, and other penaltys, forfeitures, and losses, as in cases of hyghe treason by the lawes of thys Realme.

And also that it maye lyke wyse please youre hyghnesse, that it maye be enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that no maner of person or personnes, shall be molested or impeached for anye the offences aforesayde, committed or perpetrated onely by preachynge, teaching, or wordes, onles he or they be thereof lawfullye endicted, within the space of one hole yeare next after his or theyr offences so committed. And in case any person or personnes shall fortune to be imprysoned for anye of the sayde offences committed by preachynge, teaching, or wordes onelye, and be not thereof indicted within the space of one halfe yeare nexte after hys or theyr suche offence so committed and done. That then the sayde personne so imprysoned, shall be set at libertye, and be no lenger deteyned in prysen for anye suche cause or offence.

Wherbynded alwayes and be it enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that thys acte or anye thyng therein conteyned, shall not in anye wyse extende to repeale anye clause, matter, or sentence conteyned or specyfyed, in the sayde acte of Repeale, made in the sayde fyrste and seconde yeares of the raygues of the sayde late kynge Whyllyppe, and Quene Mary, as doth in any wyse touch or concerne any matter or case of Preminire, or that doth make or ordeine any matter, or cause to be within the case of Preminire, but that the same, forsomuch onely as toucheth or concerneth any case or matter of Preminire, shal stand and remayne in suche force and effecte, as the same was before the makinge of this acte. Anye thyng in this acte conteyned to the contrary in anye wyse notwithstandinge.

Wherbynded also, and be it enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that this acte, or anye thyng therein conteyned, shall not in anye wyse extende or be prejudiciall to anye personne or personnes for anye offence or offences committed or done, or hereafter to be committed or done, contrarye to the tenour and effecte of anye acte or Statute
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nobwe reuiued by this acte, before the end of. xxx. dayes next after the end of the session of this present Parliament, any thing in this acte conteined, or any other matter or cause to the contrary notwithstanding. And if it happen that any peare of this Realme shall fortune to be indicted of, and for any offence that is reuiued or made p̄minire or treason by this acte, that then hoso beinge indicted, shall haue his tryall by his peeres, in suche lyke maner and fourme, as in other cases of treason hath ben vsed.

Provided alwayes and be it enacted as is aforesayde, that no manner of order, acte or determination, for any matter of religion, or cause Ecclesiasticall, had or made by the aucthoritie of this presente parliament, shall be accepted, demed, interpretate or adiudged at anye tyme hereafter, to be any error, heresye, scisme, or scismatical oppynion. Any order, decree, sentence, constitution, or lawe, whatsoeuer the same be to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided alwayes, and be it enacted by the aucthoritye aforesayde. That suche personne or personnes to whome youre hyghnes, your heires or Successours, shall hereafter by letters patentes, vnder the greate Seale of England, geue aucthoritie to haue or execute any iurisdiction, power or aucthoritie Spirituall, or to visite, reforme, order, or correct any errors, heresies, scismes, abuses, or enormities by vertue of this Acte, shall not in any wyle haue aucthoritie or power to order, determyne, or adiudge anye matter or cause to be heresye, but onelye suche as heretofore haue bene determined, ordred, or adiudged to be heresye, by the aucthoritie of the canonycall Scriptures, or by the fyrst foure generall Counsailes, or any of them, or by any other generall Counsaile wherin the same was declared heresye, by the expresse and playne wordes of the said canonycall Scriptures, or such as hereafter shall be ordred, iudged, or determined to be heresye, by the hyghe Courte of Parliament of this Realme, with thassent of the Cleargye in theyr conuocation. Any thing in this acte conteyned to the contrary notwithstanding.

And be it further enacted by the aucthoritie aforesayde, that no personne or personnes, shall be hereafter indicted or arrayned for any the offences made, ordeyned, reuiued, or adiudged by this acte, onlesse there be two sufficient witnesses or moze, to testify and declare the sayd offences, wherof he shall be indicted or arraigned. And that the sayd witnesses, or so many of them as shall be liuinge, and within this Realme at the tyme of the arraynemente of such person so indicted, shall be brought forth in person, face to face, before the party soo arrayned, and there shall testify and declare what they can say agaynst the partye

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partye so arraigned, if he requyer the same.

Provided also and be it further enacted by thauthoꝛp̄tye afoꝛe-
sayde, that yf anye personne oꝛ persons shall hereafter happen to geue
any reliefe, ayde oꝛ comfoꝛte, oꝛ in any wyse be ayding, helping oꝛ com-
foꝛtyng to the person oꝛ persons of anye that shall hereafter happen to
be an offendour in any matter oꝛ case of Dymynish oꝛ treason, reniued
oꝛ made by this acte. That then suche releif, ayde, oꝛ comfoꝛt gyuen
shall not be iudged oꝛ taken to be any offence, onlesse there be two suf-
ficient witneses at the least that can and wyll openly testifye and de-
clare that the person oꝛ persons that so gaue suche releife, ayde, oꝛ com-
foꝛt, had notice and knowledge of suche offence, commytted and done
by the sayde offendour, at the tyme of suche releife, ayde, oꝛ comfoꝛt so
to hym geuen oꝛ ministred, any thyng in this acte conteyned, oꝛ anye
other matter oꝛ cause to the contrary in any wyse notwithstandinge.

And where one pretended sentence hath heretofore bene geuen in
the consistorye in Bowles, before certayne Judges, de legate, by the
authoꝛp̄tye Legantyne, of the late Cardinal Poole, by reasonne of a
foꝛayne vsurped power and authoꝛp̄ty, agaynst Rycharde Chetwood
Esquier, and Agnes his wife, by the name of Agnes Woodhull, at the
suyte of Charles Tyrell gentelman, in a cause of matrimonye solemn-
ised betwene the sayde Rycharde and Agnes, as by the same pretended
sentence moze playnely doth appeare. From whiche sentence the sayd
Rycharde and Agnes haue appealed to the courte of Rome, whiche
appeale doeth there remayne, and yet is not determyned. Have it
therefoꝛe please youre hyghnes that it maye be enacted by the autho-
ritie afoꝛesayd, that if sentence in the sayd appeale, shal happen to be gi-
uen at the sayd courte of Rome, foꝛ and in the behalfe of the sayde Ry-
charde and Agnes, foꝛ the reuersinge of the sayd pretended sentence be-
foꝛe the ende of thre score dayes next after the ende of this Session of
this presente Parlyament. That then the same shalbe iudged & taken
to be good and effectuell in the lawe, and shall, and may be vsed, plea-
ded and allowed in anye courte oꝛ place within this Realme, anye
thinge in this acte, oꝛ in any other acte oꝛ statute, conteyned to the con-
trary notwithstandinge. And if no sentence shalbe geuen at the courte
of Rome, in the sayd appeale foꝛ the reuersing of the sayd pretended sen-
tence, before the ende of the sayde thre score dayes, that then it shall
and maye be lawefull foꝛ the sayde Rycharde, and Agnes, and eyther
of them at any tyme hereafter to commense, take, sue, and prosecute
theyꝛ sayd appeale from the sayd pretended sentence, and foꝛ the reuer-
syng of the sayde pretended sentence within this Realme, in suche lyke
maner and forme as was vsed to be pursued oꝛ myght haue bene pur-
sued within this realme, at any time since the. xliii. yere of the reygne
of the sayd late kyng Henry the Eyghte, vppon sentences geuen in the

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court or courtes of ani archbishop within this Realme. And that such appeale as so hereafter shalbe taken or pursued by the sayde Rycharde Cherwood and Agnes, or eyther of them, and the sentence that herein or therupon shall hereafter be geuen, shalbe indged to be good and effectuell in the lawe, to all intentes and purposes, anye lawe, custome, vsage, canon, constitution or any other matter or cause to the contrary notwithstanding.

Wherby also and be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesayde, that where there is the lyke appeale nowe depending in the sayde court of Rome, betwene one Robert Harcourt, Marchant of the Staple, and Elizabeth Harcourte, other wyse called Elizabeth Robins, of the one partye, and Anthony fyndell Marchaunte Straunger, on the other partye, that the sayd Robert, Elizabeth, and Anthonye, and euerye of them, shal and may for the prosecuting and tryng of theyr sayd apeale haue and enioye the like remedye, benefite, and aduauntage, in lyke maner and fourme as the sayde Rycharde and Agnes, or anye of them hath, may, or ought to haue and enioye, this acte or any thing therein conteyned to the contrary in any wyse notwithstanding.

An Acte for the vniiformitie of Common Prayer, and Seruice in the Church, and the administration of the Sacramentes.

The seconde Chapter.



Here at the death of oure late Souerayne Lorde kynge Edward the sixte, there remained one vniiforme order of common seruice and prair, and of the administration of Sacramentes Rites, & ceremonies in the church of Englad, which was set forth in one boke entytuled: The boke of common prayer, and administration of Sacramentes, and other rites & ceremonies in the Church of England, aucthorized by acte of Parliamente, holden in the fyfte and sixt yeares of oure sayde late Souerayne Lorde, kynge Edward the sixte, intituled: An acte for the vniiformitie of Common prayer, and administration of the Sacramentes, the whiche was repealed and taken awaye by acte of Parlyament in the fyfte yeare of the Raigne of our late Soueraigne Lady Quene Mary, to the great decaye of the due honoꝝ of God, and discomfort to the professours of the

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the truthe of Christes Religion.

Be it further enacted by the aucthority of this presente parlyamente that the sayde estatute of repeale, and euerye thinge therein conteyned onelye concernynge the sayde booke, and the scrupce, administration of Sacramentes, rites and ceremonies, conteyned or appoynted in or by the sayde booke, shalbe voyde, and of none effecte, from and after the feast of the Natiuite of S. John Baptist next coming. And that the sayde booke, with the order of seruice and of thadmynstration of Sacramentes, rites and ceremonies, with the alteration and additions therein added and appoynted by thys estatute, shall stand, and be fro and after the sayd feast of the Natiuite of S. John Baptist, in full force and effecte, accor dyng to the tenoure and effecte of this estatute, any thyng in the aforesayde statute of repeale to the contrary notwithstanding.

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And further be it enacted by the Quenes hyghnes, with thassente of the lordes and commons in this present parliament assembled, and by aucthority of the same, that all and synguler ministers in anye Cathedral or paryshe churche, or other place within this Realme of Englande, Wales, and the marches of the same, or other the Quenes dominions, shall from and after the feast of the Natiuite of Saint John Baptiste next commynge, be bounden to saye and vse the Mattens, Euenlonge, Celebration of the Lordes Supper, and administration ofeche of the sacramentes, and all theyr common and open prayer, in suche order and fourme as is mentioned in the sayde booke so aucthorised by parlyament in the sayd. v. and. vi. yeare of the raigne of kinge Edward the Sixte, with one alteration or addition of certayne lessons to be vled on euery Sunday in the yeare, and the fourme of the Letanye altered and corrected, and two sentences onelye added in the deliuey of the Sacrament to the communicantes, and none other, or other wyse. And that yf any manner of Parson, Vicar, or other what soeuer mynister, that oughte or shoulde synge or saye common prayer mentioned in the sayde booke, or mynyster the Sacramentes frome & after the feast of the Natiuite of S. John Baptist nexte commynge, refuse to vse the sayde common prayers, or to mynyster the Sacramentes in suche Cathedral or paryshe Churche, or other places, as he shoulde vse to mynyster the same, in suche order and fourme as they be mentioned and set forth in the sayde booke, or shall wylfullye or obstynately standynge in the same, vse any other rite, Ceremony, or der fourme, or maner of celebrating of the lordes supper openly or pryuely, or matens, euenlong, administration of the Sacramentes, or other open prayers then is mentioned and set forth in the sayd booke (Open prayer in and thoroughout this Acte, is mente that prayer which is for other to come vnto, or heare, eyther in common churches, or priue chappels or oratories, commonly called the seruice of the church) or shall preach, declare, or speake any thyng in the derogation or depy

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tyinge of the said booke, or any thing therein conteyned, or of any parte therof, and shalbe therof lawfully conuicted according to the lawes of this realme, by verdict of. xij. men, or by his owne confession, or by the notorious euidence of the fact, shal lose and forseyt to the quenes highnes her heyres and successors, for his fyrst offence, the profit of all hys spirituall benefices or promotions, coming or arysing in one hole yere next after this conuiction. And also that the person so conuicted, shal for the same offence suffer imprisonment by the space of. vi. monethes, without bayle or maynpryse. And if any such person once conuicted of any offence concernynge the premysse, shal after his first conuictiō escape and offend, and be thereof in fourme aforesayde lawfully conuicted & then the same person shal for his seconde offence suffer imprisonment by the space of one hole yere, and also shal therefore be depryued, *ipso facto*, of all his spirituall promotions, and that it shalbe lawfull to all patrons or donors of all and synget the same spirituall promotions, or of any of them, to present or collate to the same, as though the person and personnes so offendynge were deade. And that yf anye suche person or personnes after he shal be twice conuicted, in fourme aforesayd, shal offend agaynste anye of the premysse the thyrde tyme, and shalbe thereof in fourme aforesayde lawfully conuicted. That then the person so offendynge, and conuicted the thyrde tyme, shalbe depryued *ipso facto*, of all his spirituall promotions, and also shal suffer imprisonment during his lyfe.

And if the personne that shal offend, and be conuicted in fourme aforesayde, concernynge anye of the premysse, shal not be benefyced, nor haue any spirituall promotion. That then the same personne so offendynge and conuicted, shal for the fyrste offence suffer imprisonment during one whole yere nexte after his sayde conuiction, wythoute bayle or maynpryse. And yf anye suche personne, not hauynge anye spirituall promotion, after his fyrste conuiction, shal escape and offend in anye thinge concernynge the premysse, and shal in fourme aforesayde, be thereof lawfully conuicted. That then the same personne shal for hys seconde offence, suffer imprisonment during his lyfe.

And it is ordeyned and enacted by the auctoritie abouesayde, that yf any person or persons whatsoeuer, after the sayde feast of the Natyvitie of Saynt John Baptist next commynge, shal in any enterludes, playes, songes, rymes, or by other open wordes, declare or speake any thinge in the derogation, deprauing, or despising of the same booke, or of anye thyng therein conteyned, or anye parte thereof, or shal by open acte, deede, or by open threatenynge, compell or cause, or otherwyse procure or mayntayne any parsonne, bycarre, or other mynyster in anye Cathedral or Maryne Church, or in Chappell, or in anye
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other place to sing or say any common and open prayer, or to minister any Sacrament otherwise, or in any other maner and fourme the is mentioned in the saide booke, or that by anye of the saide meanes shall unlawfullye interrupt or let anye parson, vicar, or other minyster in anye Cathedral or parryshe Church, Chappell, or anye other place to syng or say common and open prayer, or to minister the Sacramentes or anye of them, in such maner and fourme, as is mencioned in the sayd booke. That then euery such person beinge thereof lawfullye conuycted in forme abouesayde, shall forfeite to the Quene oure Soueraygne Lady, her heires and successours, for the fyyste offence a hundredeth markes. And if any parson or parsons, beinge once conuycte of any such offence, estones offende agaynst any of the last recited offences, and shall in fourme aforesaid be thereof lawfullye conuicte. That then the same person so offending and conuicte shal for the seconde offence forfeite to the Quene our Soueraygne Lady, her heires & successours, foure hundredeth markes. And if anye person after he in forme aforesaid, shall haue bene thwyle conuict of anye offence, concernynge anye of the last recited offences, shal offende the third time, & be thereof in fourme abouesayde lawfullye conuicte. That then euerye person so offendynge and conuycte shal for his thyrde offence, forfeite to our Soueraygne Lady the Quene, all his goodes and cattells, and shall suffer imprisonment durynge hys lyfe. And if any person or personnes that for his fyrst offence, concernynge the premissex, shall be conuycte in forme aforesayd, do not paye the somme to be paid by vertue of his couiction, in such maner & forme as the same ought to be paid, within vi. weekes next after his conuiction that then euery person so conuict and so not paying the same, shal for the same first offence, in stede of the said somme, suffer imprisonment by the space of vi. monethes, without baile or mainepysle. And yf any person or persons that for his second offence concernynge the premissex, shalbe conuicte in forme aforesaid, doo not pay the sayd somme to be payde by vertue of his conuiction, at this estate, in such maner and fourme as the same ought to be payde within vi. weekes next after his said seconde conuiction. That then euery person so conuicted and not so paying the same, shal for the same seconde offence, in the stede of the sayd somme, suffer imprisonmente durynge xii. monethes, without bayle or maynpysle. And that from and after the sayde feast of the Natiuytie of Saynte John Baptist next commynge, all and euery person and persones, inhabytyng wythin thys Realme or anye other the Queenes Maiesties Dominions, shall dyligentlye and faythfullye, haupyng no lawefull or reasonable excuse to be absente, endeouour them selues to resorte to theyr parryshe Church or Chappell accustomed, or vpon reasonable lette thereof, to some psuall place where common Prayer, and suche Seruyce of G O D

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shalbe bled in such time of let vpon euery Sondag, and other daies ordernd and bled to be kepte as holy dayes. And then and there to abide orderly, & soberly during the time of the common Prayer, preachinges or other seruice of God, there to be bled & ministred, vpon paine of punishmēt by the censures of the Church. And also vpon paine that euery person so offendyng shall forfeit for euery suche offence. xii. d. to be leuied by the Church wardens of the paryshe, where suche offence shalbe done, to thuse of the poze, of the same paryshe, of the goodes, landes, and tenementes of such offendour, by waye of dystresse. And for due execution hereof, the Quenes most excellent Maiestie, the lordes Temporal, and all the commons in this present Parliamente assembled, doth in goddes name earnestly requyre and charge al the archbysopes, Bysoppes, and other ordinaries that they shall endeouour themselves to the vttermost of their knowledges, that the due & true execution hereof may be had thzough out their diocesse, and charges as they wyll aunswere before God, for such euills and plages, wherewith almyghty God may iustly punish his people for neglecting this good and holesome lawe. And for their aucthoritie in thys behalfe, be it further enacted by thaucthoritie aforesaid, that al and singuler the same Archbysopes, Bysopes, and al other their offices, exercisynge ecclesiastycall iurisdiction, aswell in place exempt as not exempt, within their diocesse, shall haue full power and aucthoritie by this acte, to refozme, correct, and ponysh by censures of the Church, al and singuler personnes, which shal offend within any their iuridictions or diocesse, after the sayde feast of the Natyuite of Saynte John Baptyste next commynge, against this act and statute. Any other lawe, statute priuiledge, libertie, or prouision heretofore made, had, or suffered to the contrary notwithstanding.

A N D it is ordeyned and enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that all and euery iustices of Ouer and Determiner, or Iustices of assise, shall haue full power and aucthoritie in euery of theyr open and generall Sessions, to enquire here and determine all, and all maner of offences, that shalbe committed or done contrarie to anye artycle, conteyned in this present acte, within the lymytes of the Commission to them dyrected, and to make processe for the execution of the same, as they maye do agaynst anye parson beyng indited before them of trespassse, or lawefully conuicted thereof.

W H E R E U N T O it is alwayes and be it enacted by thaucthoritie aforesayd, that all and euery Archbysoppe and Bysoppe, shal or may at all tyme and tymes at his libertie and pleasure ioyne and associate hym selfe, by vertue of this acte, to the sayde Iustices of Ouer and Determiner, or to the sayde Iustices of assise, at euery of the sayde open and generall Sessions, to be holden in any place within his diocesse

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Wherby also and be it enacted by thauuthoritie aforesayde, that the booke concernyng the sayde Seruices, shall at the costes and charges of the parsonages of euery paryshe, and Cathedral Church, be attayned and gotten before the sayde feast of the Natiuite of Saynt John Baptyst next folowynge, and that al such parishes and Cathedral Churches, or other places, wher þ said booke, shalbe attayned and gotten, before the said feast of the Natiuite of Saint John Baptyst, shall within thre weekes next after the said booke, so attayned and gotten, vse the sayd seruice and put the same in vse according to this acte.

And be it further enacted by thauuthoritie aforesayde, that no parson or parsonnes shalbe at anye tyme hereafter impeached or otherwys molested of, or for anye of the offences aboue mencyned, hereafter to be comitted or done contrary to this act. onles he or they so offendyng, be thereof indyted at the next generall Sessions, to be holden before any such Justices of Oyer and determiner, or Justices of assise, next after any offence committed or done contrary to the tenor of this acte.

Wherby also and be it ordeyned and enacted by thauuthoritie aforesaid, that all and singuler Lordes of the Parlyament for the thyrde offence aboue mencioned shalbe tried by their peeres.

Wherby also and be it ordeyned and enacted by thauuthoritie aforesaid, that the Maior of London, and all other Maiors, Baylyffes, and other heade officers of all and singuler Cyties, boroughes and Townes Corporate within this Realme, Wales, and the marches of the same, to the which Justices of assise do not commonly repayre, shall haue full power and auctoritie by vertue of thys acte to enquire here and determine the offences abouesayd, and euery of the yerely within xii. dayes after the feast of Easter, and S. Michel thar chaungell, in like maner and forme as Justices of assise and Oyer and determiner may doo.

Wherby also and be it ordeyned and enacted by thauuthoritie aforesayd, that all and singuler archbishops and Bishops and euery of their Chauncellours, Comynissioners, archdeacons, & other ordinaries, haupyng any peculier ecclesiasticall iurisdiction, shal haue full power and auctoritie by vertue of this act, aswel to enquiry in their visitation, Synodes, and elsewhere within their iurisdiction at any other time and place, to take occasions and informations of al and euery the things aboue mencioned, done comitted, or perpetrated within the limits of their iurdictions & auctoritie, & to punish þ same by admonicio, excommunicatio, sequestration or depriuation, & other censures and

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and pꝛocesse in lyke foꝛme as heretofore hath bene vbled in lyke cases by the Quenes ecclesiasticall lawes.

PR O V I D E D alwayes and be it enacted that whatsoener person offendyng in the pꝛemisses, shal foꝛ the offences fꝛst receiue pꝛonishment of the ordinary, hauyng a testimonial thereof vnder the said ordinaries Seale, shal not foꝛ the same offence efrsonnes be conuicted befoꝛe the Iustices. And lykewise receiuyng foꝛ the sayd fꝛste offence, pꝛonishment by the Iustices, he shal not foꝛ the same offence efrsonnes receiue pꝛonishment of the ordinary. Anye thing contained in this acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

PR O V I D E D alwayes and be it enacted, that suche ornaments of the Church and of the ministers thereof, shalbe reteined & be in vse as was in this Church of England, by aucthoꝛitie of Parliament, in the second yere of the reygne of kyng Edward the vi. vntil other order shalbe therein taken by th aucthoꝛitie of the Quenes Maiestie, with the aduise of her Commissioners appointed and auctoꝛized vnder the gret Seale of England, foꝛ causes ecclesiastical, oꝛ of the Metropolitane of this realme. And also that yf ther shal happen any contempte oꝛ irreuerence to be vbled in the ceremonies oꝛ rites of the church, by the misvbling of the orders appointed in this boke.

The Quenes Maiestie may by the lyke aduise of the sayd commissioners, oꝛ Metropolitane, oꝛ deine and publyshe such farther ceremonies oꝛ rites as may be most foꝛ the aduancement of Gods gloꝛy, & edifying of hys Church and the due reuerence of Chꝛistes holye mysteries and Sacramentes.

A N D be it further enacted by the aucthoꝛtye aforesayd, that all lawes, statutes, and ordinaunces, wherein oꝛ whereby, anye other Seruice, administration of Sacramentes oꝛ Common Prayer, is li mitted, established, oꝛ set foꝛth to be vbled within this Realme, oꝛ any other the Quenes dominions oꝛ countreyes, shal from hencefoꝛth be vterly voyde and of none effect.

An Acte of Recognition the Quenes byghnes tytle to the imperpall Crowne of thys Realme.

The .iii. Chapter.



T H E R E is nothyng vnder G O D (mooste dreade Soueraigne Lady) wher we your most humble faithful, and obedient Subiectes, the Loꝛdes spiritual and Temporal, and commons in this presente Parliament assembled, haue, may, oꝛ oughte to haue moze cause to reioice the in this onely, that it hath pleased God of his mercifull pꝛouidence and goodnes, towarde vs and this

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this our Realme, not onely to proude, but also to preserue and kepe
 for vs, and our wealthes your royall maiestie, our most ryghtfull and
 lawefull Soueraygne liege Lady and Quene, most happely to reyn
 ouer vs, for the whiche we do geue and yelde vnto hym from the bot-
 tomes of our hartes, our humble thanks, laudes, and prayes. Eue so
 there is nothyng that we your sayde subiectes for oure parties can,
 may, or ought towarde your hyghnes, more synnely, entyerly, and
 assuredly in the purp:ye of our hartes thinke, or with our mouthes de-
 clare and confesse to be true, then that your maiestie our sayde Souer-
 aigne Lady is and in verye dede, and of moste mere ryght ought to
 be by the lawes of god, and the lawes and statutes of this realme our
 most rightfull and lawefull Soueraigne liege Lady & Quene. And y^e
 your highnes is rightly, lineally, and lawfully descended, and come of
 the blood royal of this realme of Englande, in and to whose princelye
 person, and the heyres of your body lawfully to be begotten after you,
 without all doubt, ambiguitie, scruple, or questiō, the imperial & royall
 estate, place, crowne, & dignitie of this realm, wth al honours, stiles, titles
 dignities, regalities, iurisdictiones, & preheminences to the same nowe
 belongynge and apperteyning, are and shalbe most fully, rightfully, re-
 ally, and entierly inuested & incorporated, vnited & annexed, as ryght-
 fully, and lawefully, to al intentes, constructions, and purposes, as the
 same were in the sayd late king Henry theight, or in the late king Ed-
 ward the. vi. your highnes brother, or in the late Quene Marye your
 highnes sister, at any time since the act of parliament made in the. xxv
 yere of the reigne of your said most noble father king Henry the yghte,
 entituled, an act concernynge the stablishment of the kinges maiesties
 succession in the imperyal crowne of this realme. ¶ For which causes
 we your said most louing, faythful, and obedient subiectes, represent-
 ing the thre estates of your realme of England, as ther vnto constrained
 by the law of god and man, except we shuld ouermuch forget our due-
 ties to your highnes, and to the heyres of your body lawfully begotten
 can no lesse do, but most humbly besech your highnes, that by thaucto-
 ritie of this present parliament it maye be enacted, established, and de-
 clared, that we do recognise, acknowledge, & confesse the same your
 estate, right, title, & successiō as is aforesaid, to be in & to your hyghnes
 and the heyres of your body to be begottē, thowoutlye, & in y^e whole
 and in euery part therof, in such maner & forme as before is mētioned
 Declared or confessed, & ther vnto most humbly & faythfully we do sub-
 mit our selues, our heyres & posterities for euer. And further do make
 our most hartly and humble petition vnto your highnes, that it maye
 please the same not onely to accept this our sayde recognition, but also
 our faythfull promises, that we accordinge to oure duties will and
 wyl stand to assiste and defende your royall maiestie, and the heires
 of your bodye to be begotten, beyng kinges and Queenes of thys
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Realme, and your sayd ryghtes and titles in & to the sayde imperyall estate, place, crowne, and dignitie in all thinges thereto belongynge, at all tymes to thuttermooste of oure possible powers, and therein to spende our bodies, landes, and goodes, agaynst all personnes whatsoeuer, that any thyng shall attempte to the contrary.

And that it maye be enacted by thaucthoritie aforesaid, that as well this our declaration, confession, and recognicion, as also the limitation and declaration of the succession of the imperyal crowne of this realme mentioned and conteyned in the sayde acte made in the sayde. xxxv. yeaere of the reygne of your sayde mooste noble father, shall stande, remaine, and be the lawe of thys realme for euer. And that all sentences, iudgementes, and decrees, had, made, declared, set forth, published and promulged, and also as muche of euerye clause, article, br aunche, matter, or thinge, conteyned and expressed in any acte or actes of parliament, as be in any thinge repugnaunt, contrary, or derogatorye to this our sayde confession, declaration, and recognicion, or to any parte or percell thereof, or contrary to the said limitation of the succession of the imperyall crowne, establisshed and made by the said acte in the said xxxv. yeaere of the reygne of the said late king Henry the yght (by what soeuer power or aucthoritie the same ben, or haue ben had or made) shall be vtterly frustrate, voyde, and of none effecte. And also shall and may be cancelled, defaced, and put in perpetuall obliuion at youre highnes wyll and pleasure, as yf the same had neuer ben had, made, declared, set forth, published, or promulged.

An Acte for the restitution of the fyrste fructes and tenthes, and rentes reserued nomine decime, and of parsonages impropriate to the imperiall crowne of this Realme.

The fourth Chapter.

 In their most humble wise beseechen your moost excellent maiestie, your faithfull and humble subiectes, the Lordes spirituall and temporall, and the Commons of this youre realme in this present parliament assembled, that where in the parliament of your most noble father of famous memory kyng Henry the yght, holden at Westminster vpon prorogation the thyrde daye of November, in the. xxvi. yeaere of his prosperous reigne, it was enacted, ordeyned, and establisshed by thaucthoritie of the same parliament amonges other thinges, that his highnes, his heires and successors, kinges of this realme, should haue & enioy from time to tyme to endure for euer, of euerye parson and parsonnes, whiche at anye tyme after the fyrst day of January then next ensuyng, shuld be nominated elected, pfected, presented, collated, or by any other meanes appoynted

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ted to haue any Archbyschopyke, Byschopyke, Abbacye, Monasterye, Pryorye, Colledge, Hospytall, Archdeaconry, Deanerye, Priouosthypp, Prebend, Parsonage, Vicarage, Chauntrye, free Chappell, or other dignitie, benefice, office, or promotyon Spyrutual, within this Realme or eles where, within any of the kynges dominions of what name, nature, or qualitie soeuer they were or to whose foundation, patronage, or gyft soeuer they didde belonge, the fyrste frutes, reuenues, and profytes, for one yere of euery suche archbyschopycke, Byschopyke, abbacye, Monastery, Pryorye, Colledge, Hospitall, archdeaconry, Deanery, Priouosthypp, Prebende, Parsonage, Vicarage, Chauntrye, free Chappell, or other dignitie, benefice, office, or promotion spirutual afozenamed, wherunto any such person or personnes shoulde after the sayd fyrst daye of January, be nominated, elected, preferred, presented, collated, or by any other meanes appoynted. And that euery such parson and parsons, before any actual or reall possession or medling with the profytes of any sitch archbyschopyke, Byschopyke, abbacye, Monastery, Colledge, Hospitall, Deanery, Priouosthypp, Prebende, Parsonage, vicarage, Chauntrye, free Chappell, Pryorye, or other dignitie, benefice, office, or promotion spirutual, shoulde satisfye, contente, and pay, or compounde or agre to pay to the kynges vse, at resonable dates vpon good suerties, the sayd fyrst frutes and profits for one yere. And it was further enacted by aucthoritie aforesayd, that the fyrst frutes of benefices, before that tyme accustomed to be payde to the Byschoppe of Norwiche within his Dyocesse, and to the archdeaconne of Rychemonde, within his archdeaconrye, or anye other parson or parsonnes within this Realme, or anye other the kynges dominions, shuld from the sayd fyrst day of Januarye, cease and be extincte, and no lenger be payde but onely to the kynges highnes, his heyres and Successors, in suche fourme as is before mencponed. And further it was enacted by aucthoritie aforesayd, that the kynges Maiestye, his heyres, and successours, for more augmentation, and mayntenaunce of the Royall estate of his imperyll Crowne, shoulde yearly haue, take, enioye, and receyue buyted and buytte to his imperyll Crowne for euer, one yearly rent, or pention, amountinge to the valewe of the tenth parte of all the reuenues, rentes, fermes, tythes, offeringes, emolumentes, & of al other profites, as well called spyrutual as temporal, appertaining or belongyng, or that from thenseforth shoulde belonge to anye archbyschopyke, Byschopyke, abbacye, Monastery, Pryorye, archdeaconrye, Deanerye, Hospytall, Colledge, House Collegiate, Prebende, Cathedrale Church, Collegiate church, Conuentual church, Parsonage, vicarage, Chauntrye, freechappell, or other benefice or promotion spyrutual, of what name, nature, or qualitie soeuer they were, within anye Diocesse of this Realme or in Wales, & said pention or annual rent, to be yearly payde

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payd for ever, to the sayd late king his heires and Successours, at the feast of the Nativite of our Lord God, and the fyist payment thereof to begynne at the feast of the Nativite of our Lord God, which shulde be in the yere of our Lorde God a thousand, five hundred thirtie & five and to be paid yerely by such as should be appointed to have & collecti- on therof, before the fyist day of Apryl next folowing, after & said feast of the Nativite of our Lord God, as in the sayd acte more playnlye it doth appeare. And wher also one other act was made & established in the sayd Parliament, the sayd. xxvi. yere, that no fermour of Spiri- tual persons, should be compelled or charged to pay for theyr leassours fyist frutes or yearly pention for the tenth graunted unto the kinges hyghnes, notwithstanding any couenaunt contracte, bonde, or other thyng made to the contrary, as by the same act more playnelye appea- reth. And where also at one other session of the same Parliamente, hol- den by prouocation at Westminster, in the. xxvij. yere of the Raygne of your sayd father, one other acte was made and established that the kynges Spiritual Subiectes, should be deducted and allowed of the tenth of theyr Spiritual promotions, for that fyiste yere for whiche they should pay the fyiste frutes, as in the same acte also more at large appeareth. And where also in one other Parliament of the sayde late kyng holden at Westminster, in the. xxviij. yere of his raygne amon- gste other thinges, it was enacted and ordeyned, that the yere in whiche the fyiste frutes of euerye benefice and Spiritual promotion should be payd, should begin and be accompted immediatlye after the aduoydaunce thereof. And that the tythes, commodities, reuenues, casualties, and proffytes thereof (Chauntries only except) in the time of vacation, shoulde belonge and afferre to the nexte incumbente, to- wardes the paymente of the fyiste frutes, as by the same acte, more at large appeareth. And where also in one other Parliament holden by- pon prouocation at Westminster in the. xxxij. yere of the Raygne of the sayde late kyng, one acte was made and established, that Bys- shoppes bypon theyr accomptes, of, and for the sayde yearlye tenth, should be discharged by their othes of payment of such somme or som- mes of money, of the sayd annal rent, or tenth, as they could not lawe- fully leuy, and also an order appointed how the kyng shoulde be aun- swered of the tenth of any benefice and spiritual promotio, omitted in the originall or former certificate of benefices and Spiritual promo- tions, made in the Exchequer, as by the same act last mentioned more at large appeareth. And where also in the same Session and Parlia- ment holden in the sayde. xxxij. yere of the Raygne of your hyghnes sayde noble father, and by auctorite of the same Parliamente, one courte was erected, established and made for the better answeringe of the sayde fyiste fruytes and tenthes, unto the kyng called the court of
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fyyst fructes and tenthes, as in the same acte of erection thereof more fully appeareth. And where also in the same Sessyon and parliamēt one other acte was made, whereby the Byshoppe of Norwiche for the tyme beyng (beyng before that discharged from the Collection of the tenth within his diocesse) should be charged and chargeable for ever, for, and with the collection of the same tenth within his dyocesse, and make payment thereof, as other Byshoppes shoulde or ought to doo, within theyr dyocesse, as by the same act more playnely appeareth. And where also in one other parliament of the said late kyng, holden at Westminster vpon prorogation, in the .xxiiij. yeare of hys reygne, one acte was establyshed and made concernynge collectours and receivers, to make paymente of theyr receiptes within thre monethes next after the same shoulde be due, and paide to the kynges vse, vnder certayne penalties therein expessed, as by the same act more at large appeareth.

And where also in the same Sessyon and Parlyamente it was enacted and establyshed, that the newe erected Byshops of Chester, Gloucester, Peterborough, Byystoll, Orford, and theyr successors for ever, shoulde paye theyr tenthes reserued vpon their letters patentes, or their seuerall erections, onely in the saide courte of the fyfte frutes and tenthes for ever, as by the same act more at large appeareth. And wher also in the parliament of the sayd late king holden at Westminster in the .xxv. yeare of his reygne, one acte entituled, an acte for the vniō of Churches, not exceedinge the ballew of fyve pounde, was establyshed and made, wherein is conteyned a sauynge to the kyng of the fyfte fructes and tenthes of all Churches and Chappels not excedyng the value of fyve pounde, that then were or from thens forth shoulde be vnited and consolidate in one, as in the same acte and sauynge, more largely appeareth. And wher also in the parliamēt of our hyghnes dearest brother of woorthy memozy kyng Edward the fyfte, holden at Westmynster vpon prorogation, in the seconde yeare of hys reygne, one acte was made, that by the certificate of the Byshoppe of anye dyocesse within thys Realme, or anye of the Dominions of the same, of recusaunce or none payment of any tenth of any benefyce or spyrytuall promotyon the incumbence shoulde leese but the benefyce or promotyon onely, as by the same act more plainly appeareth.

And where also in one other paylyamente of the sayd late king Edward, holden at Westminster in the seuenth yeare of his reygne, one acte was made and establyshed, declarynge howe and in what sorte the vnder collectours of the tenth in euery dyocesse, appoynted by the Byshoppe, shoulde be bounde to dyscharge the Byshoppes of that collectyon, and a lenger daye geuen for the paymente of the

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tenth. And how the king should be answered of the tenth for the time of vacation of euery benefyte and spirytual promotion, and that the patentees of the collection of tenth, should be good onely during the incumbences of the grauntours, as in the same act more at large is conteyned.

And where also in the seconde session of parlyamente of our late Soueraigne lady Quene Mary your maiesties dearest syster, holden at Westminster in the fyrst yere of her raigne, one act was made and establisshed, whereby full power and auctoritie was geuen and appoynted vnto her highnes at her wyll and pleasure, to alter, chaunge, vnite, transporte, dissolue, or determine, as well the said Court of fyrst frutes and tenthes, as the court of augmentations of the reuenues of the kynges crowne, and other courtes therein expessed, & to reduce the same courtes or any of them into one, two, or more courtes or courtes, or to vnite and annere the sayde courtes, or anye two or more of the together, or to any other of her maiesties courtes of recordes, as to her it should be thought most conuenient & best, for the better, swer & more spedye answering of her yerely reuenues, casualties, & profits then answerable in the sayd courtes, or anye of them, as in the same acte more at large is expessed, by vigor, and auctoritie of which act, the sayde late Quene by her graces. iiii. seueral letters patentees where of two beare date the. xliij. day of January, in the first yere of her reign and the other two the. xliij. day of January in the same yere, dyd not onely dissolue, determine, and extinguishe the said Courtes, commonly called and intituled the court of augmentations and reuenues of the kinges crowne, and the court of the first frutes & tenth, and the iurisdiction and auctoritie thereof, but also dydde vnite, transpose, and annere the sayd Courtes of augmentations and reuenues of the kinges Crowne, and of the fyrst frutes and tenthes so dissolued to the sayde Courte of the Exchequer, there to be and continue as a member and percell of the same court of the Exchequer, and dydde appoynte all and singuler the reuenues casualties, profits, and hereditamentes then answerable in the sayd courtes to the order, rule, surueye, and gouernaunce of the sayde courte of the Exchequer, there to be answered and accompted for ever, in suche order, manner, and forme, as in the sayde later letters patentees, and in two Scedules vnto the sayde letters patentees annexed, is mentioned and declared, as by the tenour and purpote of the sayde letters patentees & Scedules, sigded with her highnes hande, more playnely maye appeare. By reason of all which sayde premisses, not onely the sayde perpetuall reuenues of the fyrst frutes and tenthes, graunted by the said acte in the. xvi. yere of the reign of your highnes moste noble father, in augmentation & maintenaunce of the
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Crowne of this Realme, but also the Tenthes, or yerely rentes reserved nomine Decime, by any letters patentes, of your said noble father, sythen the said. xxvi. yeare of his Raigne, & of your saide dearest brother & Syster, or of any of them, made to any Bysshop, and his Successours, or to any Cathedrall Church, Deane and Chapter, College, or any other Ecclesiasticall and Spiritual person or persons, or corporations, and their Successours for ever. And also al and everye the rentes, Reuenues, Issues, and proffyttes, of all and synguler Rectoryes, personages, and benefices impropriate, glebe Landes, tythes, oblations, pencions, portions, and other proffyttes, and emolumentes, ecclesiastycall, and spiritual to the same belongynge, beyng in the handes and possession of your said dearest Syster, at the sayde. xxiiij. daye of January, were ordered, aunswerable, and accompted for in the sayde Courte of the Exchequer, & were therein wel and iustly answered and payd, vnto her highnes vse and behoufe, lyke as the same hadde bene vnto the sayde two noble kynges, her sayd father and brother, by the space of. xx. yeares without greife or contradiction of the Prelates, and Cleargy of the Realme, to the great ayde, releife, and supportation of the inestimable charges of the Crowne of this Realme, whyche dayly syns the tyme of the makynge of the said fyrst acte, haue encreased and growen more and more. Whiche thyng althoughe the sayde late Quene mought and did manifestly fele and perceaue to be most true: Yet she vpon certayne zealous and inconuenient respectes, not sufficiently, nor politikelly inough waying that matter, nor hauing dewe consideration and regard to the maintenaunce and byholdinge and good contynuaunce of the State of the Imperypall Crowne of thys Realme, in Succession, whiche rather neded an augmentation, then anye diminucion, procured and willed an acte of Parlyamente, to be made and prouyded in the second and thirde yeares of the Reygne of kyngge Phylippe her late husbände and her, that all paymentes of the sayde fyrst frutes, shoulde from thenceforth cease and be clearely extinct and determined for ever. And that as well all the sayde benefices and spirytuali promotions, as the possessours, owners, and incumbentes therof, & theyr Successours, shuld from and after the. viii. day of August, in the said second and thirde yeares, and so from thensforthe at all tymes for ever, be clearely exonerate, acquitted and dyscharged agaynst the sayde late kyng Phylippe and Quene Mary, her heyres and Successours, of and from the payment and paymentes of all and every the sayde fyrste frutes, in as ample and large maner and forme as they were before the makynge of the sayd acte, of the fyrst and originall graunte thereof, in the sayde. xxvi. yeare of the Raygne of the sayde late kyng your noble father, and as though the same had neuer bene had ne made. And further that neither the sayde perpetuall

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pencion, annall rent, or tenth, grannted by the sayde firste acte of the xxvi. yeare of the sayd noble kyng Henry. No; also the sayde seuerall annall Rentcs, or tenthcs, reserued nomine Decime, by and vpon the said seuerall Letters Patentes, of the sayde late kyng and Quene, made to Spirituall personcs and corporations as is aforesaid, or any of them, from and after the feast of Saynt Michaell Tharchaungell, the last past, shuld any more be paid or payable vnto the sayd late king Phylippe and Quene Mary, her heyres or Successours, but that as well al the sayde Archbyschoppes, Byschoppes, and other benefices, dignities, Deanes, and Chapters, Colleges, Corporations, and Spirituall promotions aforesayde, as also the possessours, owners, proprietaries and incumbentes of the same, and theyr Successours, from and after the sayde feast of Saynte Mychaell Tharchaungell, shoulde be clearelye exonerate, acquitted and discharged of, and from the payment thereof, agaynst them, and the heires and Successours, of the same late Quene for euer. And furthermore that the sayde late kyng Phylippe and Quene Mary, her heires or Successours from and after the said feast of Sainte Michaell Tharchaungell, shoulde not receiue, perceiue, take and enioye any the Issues, reuenues, profits, or comodities of the said rectories, personages, benefices, glebe landes, tythes, oblations, pencions, porcions, and other proffytes and emolumentes, Ecclesiasticall and Spirituall aforesaid, or of any of them, or of the reuercion or reuercions of them, or any of them, but in and by the sayde acte, the same late king and Quene, clerely gaue ouer, renounced and relinquished aswell the saide rectories personages, benefices, glebe Landes, tythes, oblations, pencions, porcions and other proffytes and emolumentes, Ecclesiasticall and Spirituall aforesaid, and euery of them, and the reuercion and reuercions of them, and euery of them. And al their right, title, vse, interest, and demaund of, in, or to the same, from them and the heires and successours of the sayd late Quene for euer, as also the said perpetuall pencyon, Annall rent and Tenth, and also the said yearelye Rentcs, reserued nomine Decime, vpon the said seuerall Letters Patentes, & al theyr ryght, tytle, and interest, which they or eyther of them or the heires or successours of the said late Quene, had or mought haue had, in or to the same. The same yerely pention, tenthcs, yearely rentcs, personages, emolumentes, and proffytes, to be percepued, taken, recepued, counted, employed, vled, and disposed by the late reuerend father in God, Reginald Pole, late Cardinall and Legate, and suche other parsons as he shoulde name and appoynt, and suche other as bene specially lymitted in the said acte, to and for certayne vles, purposes and intentes mentioned in the same acte, with diuers prouisions, and a sayng in the same expessed and conteyned as by the same more at large

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large appeareth.

we your sayde humble and obedient subiectes, the Lordes spiri-
tual & temporal, & commons in this your present parliamēt assēbled, cal-
ling to our remēdiance the huge innumerable & inestimable charges
of the royal estate, and imperiall Crowne of this Realme, & how the
same is left vnto your Maestie, at this your first entry therevnto,
greatly diminished, as well by reason of the sayd act made in the sayd
Second and third yēare of the said king Philip and Quene Marye,
as otherwys, do conceiue at the botome of our hartes, great sorowe
and heynnes, as subiectes carefull for their natural and liege Soue-
raigne Lady, vpon whom dependeth the suretie, wordly ioye, & welth
of vs al. And being no lesse affected towarde your Maesties mooste
royall person & the preservation and maintenaunce of the same, and
of the estate and successiō of your Maesties saide Crowne, then were
the first grauntors of the said first frutes and tenthes, towards your
highnes most noble father, & his said royal estate, at the time of the
said graunt to him thereof made, do accompt of very right and good
congruence no lesse then our mooste bounden dewety, to moue your
highnes and therewith most humbly to beseech the same, that y^e greate
dilherison and decay committed and done to the crowne & esta^e of
al of this your Realme and the succession thereof, by reason of the said
acte made in the said second and third yēares of the reigne of y^e sayde
kyng Philip and Quene Marye made at this Parliament be refo^r-
med and auoyded. And that with your highnes fauor and royal ass-
sent it maye be enacted, ordeyned, establisshed, & prouyded by auctho-
ritie of this Parliament, in maner & forme hereafter ensuiing, That is
to say, that the said acte made in the second & third yēares of y^e reygne
of the sayd late king Philip & Quene Marye, and al articles, clauses, &
sentences therein conteyned, shalbe from & after the first daye of this
present parlyament, vtterly & clerely repealed, made void and of no
force ne effect. And al auctorities & liberties graunted, limited, and
appointyd in & by the sayde acte, to the said late Cardinall Boole, or
made or deriued by force, strength, or couloure of the same acte, by or
from the sayd late Cardinall, to any other person or persons, bodies
polityke or corporate, to cease and be vtterly void & determined. And
that the said first frutes and all paymentes thereof, from and after the
sayd first day of this parlyament, shalbe reuiued and haue their being
and continuance againe, & be demed and adiudged to all intentes, con-
structions, & purposes, in the Quenes highnes most royall person,
her heires & successors & vnited, & annexed to the imperiall crowne
of this Realme, of and in such lyke, and the same estate, interest, tytle,
qualitie, force, degre, and condition and in as ample and benefycyall
manner and forme as the same was or were in the person or posses-
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on of the said late Quene Marye, at and befoze the saide. viii. Daye of August. in the said acte of extinguisshmente mentioned and expessed. The same act of extinguisshment oz any letters patentes, oz any other matter oz thing had, done oz suffered by the sayde late Queene, to the contrarye therof in any wyse notwithstanding,

And also that aswell so much of the sayde perpetuall and annall tenth, and pencion, graunted by the sayde act made in the sayde xxvi. yeare of the reigne of the sayde late kynge Henrye theight, as also soo much of the sayd yearelye rentes, reserued vpon the saide seuerall letters patentes, nomine decime, and also so many of the saide rectories, personages, and benefices improprie, glebe landes, tithes, oblations pencions, portions, and other proffytes, and emolumentes, ecclesiasticall and spiritual aforesaid, and the reuertion and reuertions thereof. And al rentes, emolumentes, and proffytes, incident to the same, as were in the handes and possession of the sayd late Queene Marye, at and befoze the said viii. Daye of Auguste, shall from the feast of S. Mychaell Tharchaungell last past, be vested, adiudged and demed actualle and really in the Seisme and possession of oure sayde Soueraygne Lady Quene Elizabeth, her heires and Successours, to all intentes, constructions and purposes, of and in suche lyke and the same estate, interest, order, Degree qualitie, sorte, and condition, and as fully, holy, largely, and beneficially as the same were in y^e Seisme and possession of the sayde late Queene Marye, at and befoze the same eyght day of August. And that aswell the sayde fyft frutes & tenthes and the order thereof, as also the sayd annall rentes, reserued nomine decime, and the sayde rectories, personages, benefices, glebe Landes, tythes, oblatyons, pencions, porcyons, and other proffytes, and emolumentes, Ecclesiasticall and spirituall aforesaid, and euerye of them and the reuertion and reuertions of them, and of all rentes and proffytes, vnto the same oz anye of them incidente oz belongynge, shalbe within the said order, suruey, rule, and gouernaunce of the said courte of Cherchequer, in euery Degree, sorte, and condition as they were (at and) befoze the sayd viii. Daye of Auguste, the sayde acte, made in the sayde Second and third yeares, oz any other matter oz thing to the contrary thereof notwithstanding. And that so much of all and euerye the sayde actes and Statutes, fyft recited, oz of anye other acte, oz Statute, touchyng oz concernyng the order, leuyng true aunswerynge and payment oz qualifcation of the saide fyft frutes and tenthes, and of the sayd rectories, personages, and benefices improprie, and of the rentes, reuenues, emolumentes, and proffites thereof, and of all other the premysse, and also the charge dyscharge, oz alteration of them, oz anye of them, oz anye matter oz thyng in anye wyse soundinge oz tending therevnto, which were standyng and be-
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ynge in force, effect, and unrepealed at and before the saide viii. daye of August (except onely the said actes of the erections of the Courtes of augmentations and first frutes and tenthes) shalbe remaine and contynue in their full and perfect strengthes and forces, and be obserued and put in dewe execution according to the tenors and purports of the same, and of euery of them. And that the Queenes Maiestye her heyres and Successours, by auctoritie of this presente Parlyament, shall from the sayd fyrst day of this presente Parlyamente, haue holde, possede, and enioye for euer the aduousons, gyses, and patronages of all bycareges belongyng or incident to any of the sayd rectories, and personages impropriate, in the same sorte, qualitie, condytpion and degre, to all intentes and purposes, as the same were in the person and possession of the said late Quene Mary, at and before the sayde viii. day of August. Anye thyng or acte done by the same late Cardinall, or anye graunte or grauntes by letters patentes made by the sayd late Quene Marye, of the sayd aduousons and patronages, or any of them to any Ecclesiasticall or Spirituall parson or parsons, or any Spirituall cozpozation to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Sauynge to al and euery person and personnes, bodyes polytyke and cozpozate, and their heires, executours, successours, and assignes and euery of them, other then such parsons as be mentyoned and named, in any letters patentes, made by the sayd Quene Mary, the saide eight day of August, or at any tyme sithen, or claming onely by or vnder thaurthoritie and strengthe of the same acte, or letters patentes, or anye of them, all suche ryghte tittle, interest, estate, offyces, Leases, grauntes, annuities, pencyons, fees, cozrodies, rentes, and other yeaerlye proffytes and commodyties as they or anye of them, ought or shoulde haue had perceiued or enioyed, of, in, or by reasonne of anye the Parsonages, Rectories, or of anye other the premises, in case the saide former acte nowe repealed, and thys presente acte of repeale hadde neuer bene hadde ne made. Anye thyng in the same actes or eyther of them conteyned or so woldynge to the contrary thereof in any wyse notwithstanding.

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED WITH AVCTHORITIE aforesayde, that from and after the sayde feast of Saynt Michaell Tharchaungell last past, and soo from thensforth from tyme to tyme, the sayde pentiones, annuities, rentes, cozrodies, fees, and other yeaerlye paymentes, shalbe payde and payable onely by our sayde soveraygne Ladye, her heyres, and Successours, at the receypt of the Exchequer, or in suche other places as the Queenes Maiestye her heyres and Successours shall appoint to al & euery person & persons that

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that ought to haue and enioye the same in such sorte, ordre and forme as the same should or ought to haue bene paid and payable in case the said acte now repealed, had neuer bene had ne made. Anye thyng therein, or els in this act contained to the contrary therof in any wise notwithstanding.

And be it further enacted by authoritie aforesayde, that all and singuler incumbentes, proprietaries, tenauntes, fermors, leasles and occupiers of the premises, or any part thereof, theyr heires executors and assignes, which the said fyrst day of this presente Parliament, were behind, or in any arreages of and with the rentes, fermes, tenthes, or other reuenues, proffytes, or duties, by them or any of them, due and payable for or by reason of the premises or any of them, shal and maye be by thauthoritie of this acte, severally chargeable acceptable and answerable to the Quenes Maiestie her heires and successours, in and at the sayd court of the exchequer, of and for the same arreages and duties, as other accomptantes ben and shalbe in the same Courte. Anye thyng in the sayd acte, now repealed in this act, or any other matter or cause to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

And yet neuerthelesse the Quenes most excellent Maiestie, at the humble request of her sayd subiectes, of her abundant grace, and bountefulnes, is pleased & contented that it be enacted by thauthoritie aforesaid, that all & singuler vicarages, not exceeding the yerely value of ten poundes, after the rate & value vpon the recordes and bookes of the rates & values for the first frutes and tenthes, now remaining in the Exchequer, or that shal hereafter come & remaine in the same courte; And also all & singuler parsonages, not exceeding the yearelye value of ten markes, after the like rate & valuation, and the incumbentes thereof, & of euery of them, their executors, administrators, successors, & sureties, and euery of the from the said feast of S. Michael Tharchaungell last past, shalbe fre & clerely discharged, & acquitted for ever, agaynst the Quenes Maiestie, her heires & successours, of & from the said first frutes. Any thing in the said act of fyrste frutes & tenthes, made in the said. xxvi. yere of the reigne of the said late king Henry theight, or in this act of repeale, or anye other act or actes befoze recited to the contrary therof in any wise notwithstanding.

IN QUOD alwayes and be it enacted by thauthoritie aforesaid, that if any incumbent of any suche promocion spirituall as is aforesaid, charged or chargeable to the paymēt of p̄ said first frutes happē to liue to the end of one halfe yere next after p̄ last auoidaūce of the same promocion spiritual, so as he hath receued or without stand or coun, might lawefully haue receued or enioyed p̄ rentes or proffytes of that halfe yere. And befoze the end of the other halfe yere then

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then next folowynge, shal happen to die, or to be lawefully euicted, remoued or put fro the said promociō spiritual, by iudgmēt in anye acti-
on at the common lawe, without fraude or couin. That then euery suche
incumbēt his heires, executozs, administrators & surties, shalbe char-
ged and chargeable but onely with the fourth part of the first frutes
dewe to be paid for such his promotion and with no more of the sayd
first frutes. Any thinge in this acte conteyned, or anye bonde or writ-
tyng to be made for the payment of the said fyrst frutes, or any other
matter or cause to the contrary notwithstanding.

And yf it shal happen anye such incumbent to lyue by the space
of one hole yeare next after the last aduoidaunce of the same promoti-
on spiritual, & after befoze the end of one halfe yeare then next folowynge
shal fortune to dye, or to be lawefullye euicted, remoued or put from
the sayde promotyon spiritual, by iudgement in anye actyon at the
common lawe, withoute fraude or couyn. That then euery such inci-
bent, his heires, executours, administratours & suretyes, shalbe char-
ged and chargeable but onely with the moytie and one halfe of the
first frutes dewe to be payd, for suche hys promotyon spiritual, and
with no more of the same first frutes. Anye thyng in thys acte con-
teyned, or anye bonde or writyng, obligatoze to be made for the pai-
ment of the same first frutes, or anye other matter or cause to the con-
trary notwithstanding.

A N D if it shal happen anye such incumbent to lyue to the end
of one hole yeare and a halfe, next after the last aduoydaunce of suche
promotyon spiritual, and after and befoze the ende of lyxe monethes
then next folowynge, shal fortune to dye, or to be lawefullye euicted
remoued, or put from the sayde promotyon spiritual by iudgment
in anye action at the common lawe, withoute fraude or couyn, that
then euery such incumbent his heires, executours, admynistratours,
and sureties shalbe charged and chargeable but onely with thre
partes of the first frutes of the same promotion spiritual in foure par-
tes to be deuided & with no more. Anye thing in this acte conteyned,
or any bond or writyng, obligatoze, had or made for the paymente of
the said first frutes, or any other matter or cause to the contrary not-
withstanding.

And yf it shal happen anye such incumbente to lyue to the end
of two hole yeares, next after the laste aduoydaunce of the same hys
promotyon spiritual, and not to be lawefully euicted, remoued or put
from the same promotion spiritual as is aforesayde, that then euerye
such incumbente his heires, executours, administrators, and sureties
shal content & paye to our sayde Soueraigne Ladye the Quene, her
heires and successors, the hole first frutes dewe to be paid for the same
promotion spiritual, accoꝝdynge to the estatutes aforesayd.

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Provyded also and be it enacted that all grauntes, immunities and Lyberties, gyuen to the vniuersities of Cambrydge, and Oxforde, or to any Colledge or Hall, in eyther of the said vniuersities, and to the Colleges of Eton and Winchester, and vnto euery or any of them by our late Soueraigne Lorde, king Henry the eight, or any other of the Quenes highnes progenitors or predecessors, or by acte of Parlyament, for or touchyng the releafe or discharge of the sayd fyrst frutes and Tenthes, or anye parte thereof, shalbe alwaies and remaine in their full strength and vertue. And that all such lawefull conueyaunces and assuraunces in the lawe, as were hadde or made before the makynge of thys acte, to either of the saide vniuersities of Oxforde and Cambrydge, or to any College, or Hall, within anye of them, by what name or names soeuer they or any of them be incorporated or named, of any of the sayd personages, or benefices impropriate, or of any parte of the same, or of anye patronages, for the mayntenaunce of studentes, or learnynge, shalbe as good and effectual in the lawe, to al intentes, constructions, and purposes, as though this acte, had neuer bene made.

And be it further enacted by thaucthoxytpe aforesayde, that the Deane and Canons of the free Chappell, of Saynte George the Martyr, within the Castell of Wyndesoure, & all the possessyons and hereditamentes, of the same free Chappell, Deanerye, and Canons, by whatsoeuer name or names they be incorporated, or knowen, shal be exonerated and shall stande for ever, dyscharged of the Tenthes and fyrst frutes, before mentioned. Any thinge in this act, or in anye other acte or Statute before mentioned to the contrarpe thereof in anye wyse notwithstanding.

Provyded also and be it enacted that al Leasses, made before the .xx. daye of December, last paste, for .xxi. yeares, or thre lyues at the most by any parson or parsons bodyes polytyke or corporate, beinge lawefully Sealed, of, or in any of the sayd personages impropriate, or of, or in any other the premisses wont commonly to be let, or set to ferme, then beyng out of lease or whereof there was not at the tyme of the makynge of the saide lease or leasses, any former lease to endure aboue one yeare then to come at the mooste. And vpon whych newe lease or leasses, the olde yearely rent, accustomedly wont to be payd, for the same, by the space of .xx. yeares last before the makynge of such lease or leasses, or more yearely rent is reserued and payable, durynge the sayde tearme, and al other lawefull grauntes, by them or anye of them heretofore made of anye office or offices, in olde tyme, wont commonly to be graunted, and all gistes and grauntes of anye personage or personages impropriate, heretofore belongynge to the Archdeaconrye of Weiles, in the Countye of Somerssette, or to the incumbente

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bent of the same office or Dignitie, or to the incumbent of the same late ly geuen and restored, shall bee as good and effectuell in the lawe, as though the thys Acte or anye thynge therein conceyned had not bene had or made.

And be it further enacted by thauuthoritie aforesayde, that the sayde Archdeaconry, and all Rectoryes and Spyrituall promotions, geuen, assygned, lymytted or appoynted to the same. And all and euery incumbentes, and incumbente which hereafter shall be presented, collated, preferred and admitted vnto the sayde Archdeaconrye and the Rectoryes and Spyrituall promotions therevnto lymytted and appoynted, or appertaynyng and belongyng, shall stande, remaine and bee charged and chargeable with the payment of the first frutes and Tenthes for the same to the Queenes hyghnes her heyres and Successours, in suche lyke maner and fourme as other Spyrituall promotions, and the incumbentes of the same, be and shalbe charged and chargeable by thys acte, or by anye other acte or statute before specyfyed.

Provyded alwayes and be it further enacted by thauuthoritie aforesayde, that soo manye of the sayde Rectoryes, parsonages, and Benefices impropyate, Glebe landes, Tythes, Oblatryons, penyons, Portyons, and other proffytes, and emolumentes ecclesiastycall and Spyrituall, and euerye of them, and the reuertyon and reuertions of them, and all rentes and proffytes vnto the same or anye of them incydent or belongyng, as were at and before the said eighte daye of Auguste, in the handes or possessyons of the sayde late Quene Marre, and wythin the surueye, rule, and order of the Courte of the Duchye of Lancaster, shall bee agayne wythin the order, surueye, rule, and gouernemente of the sayde Courte, in suche and the same maner and fourme to all intentes and purposes as they were at and before the sayde eyghte daye of August, in the sayde seconde and third yeares of the Raygne of the sayde late kynge and Quene, any thynge in thys acte or in the sayde acte of the same late kynge and Quene to the contrarye thereof in any thynge notwithstandinge.

Provyded alwayes and be it further enacted by thauthoritis of thys Parliament, that no person or persous presented, instituted, or inducted at any time sithens the first Day of this presēt parliament, or that shall be presented, instituted, or inducted on this side the feast of ꝑ Natiuitie of S. Iohn Baptist next comming, to any ꝑ sayd spyrituall or Ecclesiastical promotions, chargeable to or wyth the payment of

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of the fyrst frutes or one yeaeres profytes of suche promotyon, shall incurre anye penaltie or forseynture, by entrynge into anye of the sayde Spyrituall or Ecclesiasticall promotyons, or by takynge the profytes thereof, for the non paymente or not compoundynge of or for the fyrst frutes thereof, soo that he or anye other for hym, shall or doo compounde for the same fyrste frutes, accoꝝdynge to the true meanynge of the statute befoꝛe the sayde feast of the Natyvytye of Saynt John Baptyst, any thing in thys acte conteyned to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provyded also, that thys Acte or anye thyng therein contayned, shall not in any wyse extende to charge anye hospytall founded and bled, and the possessions thereof employed to, and for the releife of poore people, or anye Scoole or Schooles, or the possessions or reuenues of them or anye of them, with the paymente of any tenthes or fyrst frutes. Anye thing in this act befoꝛe mentioned to the contrary in anye wyse notwithstanding.

An Acte Whereby certayne offences be made Treason.

The. vi. Chapter.



WHERE in the Parlyamente holden at Westmynster the twelwe Daye of Nouember in the second yere of the ragne of the late Quene Marye, Syfter vnto oure mooste gratyous Soueraygne Ladye the Quenes Maiestye that now is ther was one Acte or statute made for the better suretye and preseruatyon of the sayd late Quene, entytuled: An acte whereby certayne offences be made treason

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treasons, as by the same acte more at large doth appeare. And for as much as the very wordes and sentences of the sayd Estatute, doo extend no further but vnto the sayde late Quene Marre, and the heyres of her bodye, therefore yf anye suche like offences as be mencioned and conteyned within the sayde statute, shoulde hereafter happen to be committed agaynst our sayde Soueraygne Ladye that nowe is there were no due remedye, or condigne punishment provided for the same.

In consyderatyon whereof, and to thynntente that the malyce of wycked and euyll doers maye the better be restayned by the extendinge of the effecte and benefyte of the matters conteyned in the said estatute, to oure mooste deare Soueraygne Ladye that nowe is, and for the more suretie and preseruatiyon of her hyghnes royall estate, be it enacted by the Quenes moost excellent Maiestie, with the assente of the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in thys presente Parliament assembled, and by the aucthoritie of the same, that yf anye personne or personnes after the fyrste daye of Maye nexte to come, do maliciouslye, aduisedlye, and dyrectelye, compasse or ymagyne to depriue the Quenes maiestie that nowe is, or the heyres of her bodye to be begotten, beyng kynges or quenes of thys realme, from the Style, honoure, and kyngelye name of the imperyll Crowne of this Realme, or from any other the realmes and dominions vnto our sayde Soueraygne Lady appertaynyng and belongynge, or to destroye the Quenes maiestie that nowe is, or any the heyres of her bodye beyng kynges or quenes of this realme, or to leuie warre within this realme, or within any marches or dominions to the same belonging against the quenes maiestie that nowe is, or any the heyres of her bodye beyng kynges or quenes of this realme, or to depose the quenes maiestie that nowe is, or any the heyres of her bodye beyng kynges or quenes of thys realme, from the imperyll crowne of the realmes and dominions aforesayde, and the same compasses, or imaginations or any of them, maliciouslye, aduisedlye, & dyrectlye what or do utter by open preachynge, expresse wordes or sayinges, or yf any person or personnes after the sayde fyrst daye of Maye nexte commynge, shall maliciouslye aduisedlye, and dyrectlye saye publyshe, Declare, maintayne or holde opinion that the quenes maiestie that nowe is durynge her lyfe, is not, or ought not to be quene of this Realme, or after her death that the heyres of her hyghnes bodye, beyng kynges or quenes of this realme, of ryght ought not to be kynges or quenes of this realme, or that any other person or persons, other then the quenes highnes that nowe is durynge her life ought to be king or quene of this realme, or any other the realmes or dominions aforesayd, or after her death other then the heyres of her bodye beyng kynges or quenes of this realme, as long

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as any of her said heires of her body begotten shalbe in lyfe, of right ought to haue and enioye the imperyall crowne of this realme, or anye the realmes and dominions aforesaid, that then euery suche offendoure, beyng thereof duely conuicted or attainted by the lawes of this realme, theyr abettours, procurers, and counsaylers, and all and euery theyr comforters, knowing the sayde offences or anye of them to be done, and beyng thereof duely conuicted or attainted as is abouesayd, for his or theyr suche offence, shall forseyte and lose to the Quenes hyghnes her heires and successours, al his and theyr goodes and cattels, and the whole Issues and prolytes of hys and theyr landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, for tearme of the life of euery such offendour, or offendours, and also shal haue and suffer durynge his and theyr lyues perpetuall imprisonment.

Wherbynt alwayes and be it further enacted by the aucthority aforesayd, that all and euery Ecclesiastycall personne beinge conuicted or attainted in forme aforesayde, for euerye suche hys offence shall immediately and presently vpon suche attaynder hadde, be iudged and remayne in the lawe, to all intentes, depriued from all hys benefices and promotions spyrituall or ecclesiasticall, in suche maner and fourme that it shall be lawefull for euery patron, founder, or geuer thereof, to present immediately after suche attaynder had, some one other to the same, as though the sayde offendoure or offendours were deceased.

And yf any person or personnes beyng hereafter conuicted or attainted of any the sayde offences in fourme aforesayde commytted, shall after his or theyr conuiction or attayndour estones commytte or perpetrate anye of the sayde offences in fourme aforesayde, that then euery such second offence or offences shall be demed and adiudged hygh treasonne, and the offendour or offendours therein, theyr abettours, procurers, & counsaylours, and all and euerye theyr aidours, and comforters, knowynge the sayde offences, or any of them to be done, beyng thereof conuicted or attainted accordynge to the lawes and statutes of thys realme, shalbe iudged and deemed hygh traytours, and shall suffer paynes of death, and lose and forseyte all theyr goodes, Cattells, Landes, and Tenementes, to the Quenes maiestie, her heires and successours, as in cases of hygh treason by the lawes of thys realme at thys daye of ryght ought to be lost & forseyted.

And be it further enacted by the aucthority aforesayde, that yf anye personne or personnes at anye tyme after the sayde fyrst daye of Maye next to come, by any wytyng, pryntynge, ouert dede, or acte maliciously, aduisedly, & directly, do aspyre that the quenes maiestie that

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that now is, ought not to haue and enioye the style, honour, and king-ly name of this realme, or that any person or persones other then the Quenes maiestie that now is, oughte to haue or enioye the style, honoure, and kyngly name of this realme, or that the Quenes maiestie that now is duringe her life, is not, or ought not to be Quene of this realme, or after her death that the heyres of her highnes bodye beyng kynges or Quenes of this realme, of right ought not to haue and enioy the impervall crowne of this realme, or that any person or persons other then the quenes maiestie that now is, duringe her lyfe, or after her death other then the heyres of her body begotten, beyng kynges or quenes of this realme, as long as any of her sayd heyres of her bodye shalbe in lyfe, of ryght ought to haue & enioye the impervall crowne of this realme, that then euerye suche offence and offences shalbe adiudged hyghe treason, and the offendour and offendours therein, theire abbettonrus, procurers, and counsaylours, & all and euerye theyr adours and comforters, knowinge the sayde offences or anye of them to be done, beyng thereof lawfully conuicted, or attaynted by the lawes of this realme, shalbe demed and adiudged hygh traytours, and shal suffer paynes of death, and lose, and forsayte all theyr goodes and cattells, landes and tenementes to the Quenes maiestie, her heyres and successours, as in cases of hygh treason by the lawes of this realme at this daye of ryght ought to be lost and forfeited.

Sauynge to euery person and persons, bodie, politike & corporate, theyr heyres and successours (other the offendours and theyr heyres, and such person and persons as clayme to anye of theyr vles) all suche ryghtes, tytles, interestes, possessions, leasses, rentes, reuertions, offyces, and other profytes, which they or anye of them shal haue at the daye of the commyttynge such treasons, or at anye tyme afoze, in as large and ample maner, as yf this acte had neuer ben hadde nor made,

Provyded alwayes, and be it declared and enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that concealement or keepynge secrete of anye hygh treasons, be demed and taken ouely mysprision of treason, and the offendours therein to forfeit and suffer, as in cases of misprision of treason hath heretofore ben vled, anye thyng aboue mentioned to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provyded also, that yf it shall fortune hereafter anye of the peeres of this Realme to be indyted of anye the offences made treason, or myspryson of treason by this acte, that then the same Peeres or Peere so beyng indyted, shal be putte to aunswere to euerye suche indytement before the hyghe Stewarde of Englande for the tyme beyng, and to haue hys and theyr tryall of all hys and theyr Peeres, and to receaue and haue suche lyke iudgemente,

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vpōn the same tryall of hyȝ or theyȝ peeres, or make open confessyon of the same offence or offences, as is v̄sedy in other cases of hyȝhe treason.

And be it further enacted by the aucthoritie aforesayd, that no person or persons shall in any wyse be impeached for any of the offences abovesayde committed onely by open preachynge or wordes, onlesse the offendour or offendours be thereof indicted within sixe monethes nexte after the same open preachynge or wordes, anye thyng mentioned in this acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provyded alwaies, that the counsaylours, procurers, comforters, and abettours mentioned in this act, for his or their first offence shall suffer lyke punishment, penaltie, and forfeyture, as is conteyned in this acte against the principall offendours for theyȝ firste offence, and none other. And that the counsaylours, procurers, comforters, and abettours, for his or their second offence, shall sustayne lyke punishment, penaltie, and forfeyture, as is conteyned in this acte against the principall offendour or offendours for theyȝ second offence and none other.

Provyded alwaies, and be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that no person or personnes shall be hereafter indited or arraigned for any offence or offences made treason, or misprision of treason, by this acte, onlesse the same offence and offences of treason and misprision of treason aforesayd, be proued by the testimony, deposition, and othe of two lawefull and sufficient wytnesses, at the tyme of his and theyȝ inditement, which said wytnesses also at the tyme of the arraignement of the partye so indited (yf they be then lyving) shall be brought forth in person before the partye so arraigned, face to face, and there shall auowe and openly declare all they can say agaynst the sayde partye so indited, onlesse the sayde partye so indited, shall wyllynglye, without vyolence confesse the same.

**An Acte for the explanatyon of the statute of seditious
wordes and rumours.**

The. vii. Chapter.

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Herein the Parliamente holden at Westminster, the .xxi. Day of November, in the fyrst and second yeares of the Reygnes of the late kynge Phylipp and Quene Mary (syster vnto our Soueraygne Ladye the Quenes hyghnes that now is) and there continued and kept, vntyll the .xvi. Daye of Januarie then next ensuyng, there was one acte or Statute then and there made, entituled, an acte agaynst seditious wordes and rumours, whiche acte was then made to endure to the ende of the nexte Parlyament. And after in the next parliament holden at Westminster the .xxi. Daye of October, in the second and thyrde yeares of the reygnes of the sayde late kynge and quene, and there continued vntill the .ix. Day of October then next folowynge, the sayd Statute was then further contynued vntill the last Day of the next parlyamente. And after in one other parlyament holden at Westminster the .xx. Day of January, in the .iiii. and .v. yeares of the reygnes of the sayd late kynge and Quene, and there continued vntill the .vii. Day of Marche then nexte folowynge, the sayde acte and statute was then and there further continued, reuiued and enacted, to stande and be in full force and strength vnto the laste daye of the nexte parlyamente. In whiche acte (amonges other thynges) certayne punishmente is prouyded for suche personnes as should malyciously utter or speake anye false, seditious, and sclaunderous newes, rumors, or tales of the sayde late kynge and Quene, as by the same acte and statute more at large it doth and may appeare.

And for as much as the sayde acte and statute sithen the makynge therof hath bene proued to be a very good and necessary lawe, for due correction and punishment of such light and euyl disposed personnes, as mooste seditiously did spread abroad very false and sclaunderous rumours and tales, to the greate disturbaunce of the common tranquillitie of this realme. And for that it is doubtfull whither the sayde statute, and the wordes and sentences of the same, extend anye further then onelye to the sayde late king and Quene, and whyther the same Statute geue any remedy agaynst suche persons as shal malyciously utter or speake any false, seditious, and sclaunderous rumors, newes or tales agaynst our Soueraygne Ladye the Quenes hyghnes that now is or not. For remedy wherof, and for a plaine declaration and explanation of the sayde former acte, be it therfore declared ordeined, and enacted by thauctozitie of this present parliament, that the said act and statute made in the said fyrst and second yeares of the reygnes of the sayd late kynge and Quene, and continued as is aforesayd, and al and euerye braunche, article, wordes, sentences, clauses, prouisions, and thynges therein contained, shal from henceforth by thauctozitie of thys present parlyament be expounded, iudged, taken, and

demed in all thinges to extend to the Quenes highnes that now is, as fully and largely, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, as though the same acte had by expresse wordes extended to the heyres and successours of the sayd late queene, anye questyon, ambiguitie, or Doubte, growen, rylen, or made, or hereafter happenynge to growe, ryse, or to be moued to the contrary, in any thing notwithstanding. And that all and euerye personne & personnes, whych hereafter shall maliciously vtter or speake any false, seditious, or slanderous newes, rumours, sayinges, or tales of the Quenes hyghnes that now is, or of the heyres of her bodye, beyng kynges or Quenes of thys realme, or shall commit or do anye thoffences expresse in the said act, against our sayd Soueraygne Lady the Quene that now is, or the heires of her bodye being kynges or quenes of this Realme, and beinge thereof conuicted or attapnted according to the fourme and order in the sayde former acte expresse, shall from henceforth incurre suche paynes and penaltie, and haue such and the same tryall, iudgemente, and punishment for the same offences, as in the sayde acte is limited and appointed, and accordynge to the fourme, tenour, and effecte, of the same act, and none other wyse.

An Acte to reuyue a statute made in the. xliii. yeaere of the reigne of kynge Henry the eighth, touchyng the conueyinge of Horses, geldinges, and mares into Scotland.

The. liii. Chapter.



Here in the Parlyament holden at London the third Daye of Nouember, in the one & twentye yeaere of the reygne of the late kyng of most worthy memory king Henry theight, and from thence adiourned and proroged to Westminster, and ther continued by diuers prorogations, vntil the. xv. day of January in the. xliii. yeaere of the reygne of the sayd late king, amonges other thinges ther was one acte or statute made, whereby the sellynge, exchaungynge, or deliueri of any horses geldinges, or mares into Scotland, by any Englyshe man, shoulde be felonye, which acte or statute is entituled, an acte that no Englyshe man shoulde sell, exchaunge or delyuer to be conueied into Scotland any horse, gelding, or mare, without the kinges licence, as bi the same act and Statute more at large it doth and may appeare. And although the same estatute was a very good and necessary lawe for the maintenaunce of the strength of this realme, and for the due preservation of the state of the same, yet the said Statute by certayne actes of repeale made, as wel in the tyme of the late kynge Edward

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ward the syrt, as also in the time of the late quene Mary, was by certayne general wordes repealed and made void, by reason wherof, diuers wicked & euyl disposed parsons, haue of late time for theyr owne pryuate gayne, conueyed diuers horses, geldinges, and mares out of this realme into Scotland, to the gret strength and boldening of the Scotische, and much to the detriment and hinderance of this realme.

Wherefore be it enacted by the quenes most excellent maiestie with the assent of the lordes spiritual and tempoꝛal, and the commons of this present parliament assembled, and by thauctozitie of the same, that the sayd acte and statute made in the sayd. xxiij. yeare of the reygne of the sayd late kyng Henry theyght, and all and euery br aunche, sentences, articles, wordes, matters, and clauses therein contained, shal from the fyrst day of May next comynge, stand, remayne, and continue in full force and strength, to al intentes and purposes, as fully and as wholly as euer the same was at any time heretofore, any acte or statute of repeal, or anye other matter or cause whatsoeuer to the contrary notwithstanding.

An Acte touchyng Shoemakers and Curryours.

The. ix. Chapter.



Here at a parliament holden at Westminster vpon pro rogation the. xij. day of Apryl, in the. vij. yere of the reign of our late soueraigne lord king Edward the sixt, brother to the quenes maiestie, it was enacted amongst other thinges, agaynst regratours of tanned leather, that no person or persons, of what estate, degree, or condition so euer he or they be, shal buye, ingrosse, or cause to be bought or ingrosed anye kinde of tanned leather, to thintent to sel the same againe, sayyng only sadlers, gyrdelers, corde wayners, and all other artificers, whiche shal make thereof anye kynd of wares to be sold, as by the same act moze playnely at large maye appeare. Which acte was in the parliament holden at Westminster the second day of Apryl, in the fyrst yeare of the reigne of our late soueraigne lady Quene Mary, repeled, made void, & of none effect. And one other act was then made intituled, touching the buyinge and curryinge of leather. The repealyng of which acte, as experience hath sithen taught vs, hath brought Shooes, bootes, males, saddels, and all other kind of wares made of tanned leather, to gret and vnreasonable pryces, to the vndoynge of a gret number of the quenes maiesties poore subiettes.

For reformatyon wherof be it ordeined, enacted & established by the quenes maiestie, the lordes spiritual & tempoꝛal, & the commons of this present parlyament assembled, and by thaucthoꝛitie of the same, that

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that the foresayd statute made in the .vi. yere of the reygne of the said late kynge Edward the fyrste, and intituled, agaynst all regratours of tanned leather, and euery artycle, braunche, sentence, and clause therein conteyned, shalbe reuyued, and stande in effecte from the fyrst Daye of Apryll nexte commyng, in as full force, strength and effecte, as though the foresayde acte made in the seconde Daye of Apryll, in the fyrst yere of quene Maryes reygne, touchynge the buyinge and curryinge of leather, wherby the sayd former act is repealed, had neuer ben had nor made.

And be it also enacted by the auctoritie aforesayd, that the sayde statute and acte made in the fyrst yere of quene Maryes reigne, sytter to the quenes maiestie, entytuled, an acte touchynge the buyinge and curryinge of leather, and euery braunche, sentence, and article therein conteyned, shal from the sayd fyrst Daye of Apryll not stande, but be utterly repealed, and be of no force nor strength, anye clause, sentence, or article therein conteyned to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided alwayes and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that when and as often as any Shomaker or his deputye doth buyng any leather sufficiently tanned to any curryoure to be curried (delyueryng sufficient lyquor for well dresynge of the same) the same shalbe by euery such Curryour well and sufficiently curried and made readye for the Shomaker, within the space of fyue dayes in sommer, that is to say: from the fyrst Daye of March, to the last Daye of September. And also in like maner within the space of tenne dayes in winter that is to say: from the fyrst Daye of October, vnto the last Daye of February, vpon payne to forseyt to the party greued, for euery hyde not curried and dresed in maner and fourme aforesaid, the somme of ten shyllinges.

Provided further, that this prouiso shal not extende to bind any curryour to dresse anye leather, which by doyng his best, is not hable to dresse within euery of the times aforesayde, but shal extende to all such leather as he conueniently may dresse, after the common rate of dresynge.

And be it also enacted by the auctoritie of this presente parliament, that no person or persons buyng or occupying the feate and mystery of Shomakers, shall from henceforth worke or make any bootes or Shoes of Beates leather, that shalbe myngled, made, or wrought with any other leather, but onely Beates leather of it self, onlesse it be in the hemmes or lynyng of bootes, shoes, or sylppers, and that they shall put in all and euery bootes, shoes, or sylppers made of Beates leather, innersoles made of wombes, which shalbe wel and truly tanned and curried, and also all such other bootes, shoes, and sylppers, as shall be made of dye Beates leather, or Calffes leather, not to be myngled

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myngled with any other kinde of leather (sauyng in the soles) but only of it selfe, onles it be in hemmes or lynniges of the same, that is to say: neates leather of it selfe, and Calffes leather of it selfe, vpon payne of forseynture of all suche bootes, shoes, and slippers, made soo to the contrary.

Provyded alwayes, and be it enacted by the aucthoritye aforesayde, that the one moytie of al suche forseyntures aforesayd, shalbe to our Soueraygne Lady the quenes maiestie, and her hyghnes heires. And the other moytie to him or them that seace or fynde sue for the same penalties, in any the Quenes maiesties courtes of recorde by action of debt, byll, complaynt, information, or otherwyse, wherein noo wager of lawe, esoyne, protection, or intunction, shalbe admytted or allowed, for the defendaunt in that behalfe.

An Acte touchyng Tanners, and the sell yng of tanned Leather.

The. x. Chapter.



OR sundrye good causes and consyderations be it enacted by aucthoritye of thys presente Parlyament, that no personne or personnes, haunyng landes, tenementes, or rentes, of estate of enheritaunce, or for term of life, to the clere yearlye value of. x. li. or above, except such personne and persons as haue any tanhouse and doth occuppe the misterye of tann yng at thys presente, and except an apprentice, and other, brought vp & taught, or to be broughte vp and taught as a couenaunt seruaunt, or hyred for that purpose by the space of foure yeaeres in the mysterye or crafte of tann yng of leather, shall vse or haue profytte, gayne, or commoditie, of or by the sayde misterye, or craft of tann yng of lether, after the feast of Saynt Michael tharchaungell next comyng, vpon payne of forseynting of all suche leather so to be tanned, or the iust value thereof.

Also be it further enacted, that from and after the feast of S. Michael tharchaungell, whiche shalbe in the yeaere of our lord God, M. D. lx. no person or personnes shall vse, or exercyse the seate, crafte, or mysterye of tann yng of leather, or shall by any meanes receaue anye profytte, gayne, or lucre, by tann yng of leather, but onely in a citie, Borough, Towne corporate, or market towne, where sellers shalbe vsually appoynted, excepte he or they haue bene apprentice, exercised and brought vp as is aforesayd, in the sayd craft and mysterye, by the space of four yeaeres at the least, and also excepted the sonne or heyre, & wife of

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of euery such Tanner, to theyr owne vse and vles, vpon paine of for-
feiture of all the leather so tanned, contrary to this act, or the value
thereof.

And be it also further enacted by thauthoritie aforesaide, that no
maner of person or persons whatsoeuer, shall after the fyrste daye of
May, next comming, buy, bargaine, bespeke, or take promys of bar-
gayne of or for any rawe hyde, or calues skynne, but of, or for such, and
the same, as shalbe present in fayre or market then to be solde, ne they
shal put or cause to be put to sale any kinde of tanned leather, reade,
and vnwrought in anye place within this realme, other then in open
market or fayre, in the place therfore commonly accustomed, & ther-
fore prepared, vpon payne of forfeiture for euery hyde. iii. s. iiii. d. for
euery dosen of Calues skynnes. iii. s. iiii. d. and the hyde or hydcs and
leather in any other wyse sold or bought, or the value thereof.

And be it further enacted by thauthoritie aforesaid, that no person
whatsoeuer, shall or maye after the feast of S. Mychael tharchan-
gell next commyng, buye, bargayne, bespeake, or take promys of bar-
gayne, of or for any tanned leather vnwrought as is aforesayde, but
onely such person or personnes as haue bene, be, or shalbe brought bp
in cuttyng of leather into made wares, and do wyll, and shall worke
and conuerte the same into leather cut into made wares wroughte
vpon payne of forfeiture of the leather so bought, bargayned, or be-
spoke, or the value thereof.

And where as at a parlyament holden at Westminster vpon pro-
rogation, the second and thyrde yeares of the reigne of king Edward
the sixt, brother to the Quenes highnes, amongst other thinges in
an acte intituled, an acte for true currying of leather, vpon dyuerse
good considerations, it was enacted that euery tanner shal cut of eue-
ry wombe of euery ore hyde, syxe ynches broade, and of euery styere
hyde fyue ynches broade, and of euery cowe hyde eyght ynches broad
of assise in the narrowest place, as by the sayd acte more at large appea-
reth. Sythens whiche tyme the greedy and vnfaciable couetousenes
of many of the tanners haue ben such, to defraude the sayde good and
godlye acte, that they wyll not cut of the wombes of the hydcs, nor
bryng them to the market to be solde, so that the Cordwayners canne
not haue wombes to put into the inner sooles of bootes, shooes, stert-
owpes, and sylppers, accoꝝdyng to the tenoure of the saide statute in
that case prouyded.

Be it therfore enacted by the Quenes royall maiestye the lordes
spirituall and temporal, and the commons in this present parlyament
assembled, and by thauthoritie of the same, that al and euery personne
and persons, that doth occupy, or shall hereafter occupy the tannynge
or barkynge of anye Dre, Stiere, or Cowe hyde or hydcs, to be con-
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uertered for sole leather, for or in the name of sole leather, now commonly called backes, shall cut or cause to be cut of euery such ore, steere, or cowe hyde or hydes, that shalbe tanned or wrought for sole leather, commonly called backes, two peces, which is now called wombes, of euery such hyde or backe that shalbe wrought, barckte, or tanned for backes, vpon paine of forfeiting of euery such hyde or hydes, backe or backes so tanned or wrought, the wombes beyng not cut of. vi. s. viii. d. for euery hyde.

And be it also further enacted by thauthozitie of this present parliament, that euery tanner or taners, or anye other person or persons that occupieth, or hereafter shal occupy the mistery of tannynge of leather, & shal cut of, or cause to be cut of those. ii. peces aboue named, called wombes, shal begin vpon þ two hinder shankes of euery such hyde, & there cut two peces, and so cut throughtout a longest the belly to the fore shankes, and ther to cut of both the fore shankes & those two peces so called wombes, to be wel and truely tanned after the maner of inner sole leather, and to containe of good and dry tanned leather, vi. inches broade of assise in the narrowest place according to the sytle of the standerd in the exchequer whan they be tanned, or put to sale, or offered to be solde, promised, or bargayne made, vpon paine of forfeiture of. iii. s. iii. d. for euery wombe beyng cut lesse then soo manye ynches broade, of assise in the narrowest place as abouesayd.

And be it further enacted, that euery tanner or other person that occupieth, or hereafter shal occupy the mistery of tanning of leather which after the feast of the byrth of our lord Jesus Christ, next commynge shal put to sale, or offer to be sold in any fayre or markets, anye backe or backes shal bringe at the selfe same time to the fayre or markets wher he or they shal put such back or backes to sale, for euery backe the two forenamed peces called wombes, there to be solde wth the backes, or otherwyle as the fayre or market shal him best serue, so that they be sold in the open market, vpon paine of forfeiture of euery such backe or backes so brought to be sold or offered to be solde, or the value thereof, not hauing the wombes there in the open market or fayre as is abouesayd.

Be it further enacted by thauthozitie aforesaid, that no person or persons shall after the fyrst day of May next commynge, sel, or cause to be sold any maner of leather (clout leather sold in smale peces onely excepted) except he or they register, or cause to be registred the said leather, and euery part and percell thereof, vpon payne of forfeiture of the value of the leather so bought and not registred. And also the buier to forfeit þ said lether so bought & not registred as is aforesaid. And be it further enacted, that suche person or personnes as are, or hereafter shalbe assigned or appoynted searchers, sealer or sealers of tanned lether by vertue of any act or statute heretofore, or hereafter to be

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to be made, shall kepe one booke or register to enter al such bargaynes as shalbe made for leather, hydes or skynnes (clout lether sold in smal peeces onely excepted) by any person or persons, during and byal the tyme of the fayre or market, and shal enter ail such bargaynes, being thereunto required by the buyer or the seller, taking for his or theyr payne and trauayle therein to be taken. And for the registryng ther of of the seller of euery dicker of leather so entred one peny, for euery fyve dosen of Calues skynnes one peny, and so after the rate, and noo moze or greater somme or sommes of money to be payd for entryng of the same, bpon payne of forseynture for not entring and registryng as is aforesayd, for euery dicker of leather. iii. s. iiii. d. for euery dosen of calues skynnes. iii. s. iiii. d. and so after the rate.

And wher also one other acte entituled, an acte for true tanning of leather was made at a parliamēt of the said king Edward holden bpon proroicatiō at Westminster, p. iiii. day of Nouēber, in the .ii. yere of his most gracious reign, which act was made to endure vnto thed of the next parliamēt the folowing, & after the same act was reuyued at one other parliamēt holden at West. the first day of March, in the .vii. yere of the reign of the same king Edward the sixt, to cōtinue til the last day of the next parliamēt then folowing. And after the same act was continued in the .ii. and last session of our souereygne lady Quene Mary, holden bpon proroagation at Westminster p. xiiij. day of October, in the first yere of her graces reigne, to continue tyll the last day of the next parliamēt then folowing, which being expired and the same act neuer since continued, his force & efficacy is ended. And for as much as the sayd act is good & beneficiall for the common welth of this realme. Be it therefore enacted, ordeined, & established by the Quene our souereigne lady, with thassent of the lordes spiritual & tempozal, & the commons in this present parliamēt assēbled and by thauctozitie of the same, that the said act made in the .ij. yere of the said kyng Edward the sixt, and al wordes, clauses, articles, and prouisions in the same (except these wordes, as the barke, tapwozte, meal or culuerdonge) shalbe reuiued, continued, stand, and endure in his ful force & strength, to al intentes, constructions, & purposes and p no tanner in or about the tanning of any lether, shal vse or exercise any other kind of stuffe, but only as the barke, oke barke, tapwozt meal lyme, or Culuerdonge. ¶ Provided alwaies, & be it enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that thone moytie of al such forseyntures afoz named, shalbe to our soueraign lady the Quenes maiestie, & her hyghnes heyres or successours, & thother moytie to him or them that lease or fyzt sue for the same penalties in any of the quenes maiesties courtes of recorid, by action of debt, byl complaint, information, or other wyse, wherein no wager of lawe, essoine, protection, or inunctyon, shalbe admitted or allowed for the defendaunt in that behalle.

AN ACTE that the carping of Leather, Tallowe,
or Rawe Hydes out of the Realme for Marchaundize,
shal be felonye.

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HERE AT THIS present tyme Tanned Leather, Hydes, and Tallowe, and all thynges thereof made, is growen and come vnto such high and excessiue price, as the lyke wythin the tyme of mans memozye, hath not bene seene wythin this Realme, by reason that dyuers and sondre couetous and greedy personnes nowe of late hauing more regard vnto their owne singuler lucre and gaynes, then vnto the mayntenaunce and preservation of the Common and publique weale of this the realme of England, haue contrary to the lawes and statutes of this realme, conueied or caused to be conueyed out of the same, vnto the partyes beyonde the Seas, ther to be vttered by way of Marchaundize, such great store and plentie thereof, that the same Leather, Hides, and Tallowe, is more plentiful, and to be hadde better cheape ther, then here within this Realme, to the great hurte, hynderaunce and damage of all the Quenes moste louyng Subiectes.

For reformatyon whereof, be it enacted by the Quene our Soueraigne Lady, the lordes Spiritual and Temporal and the Commons in this present Parlyament assembled, and by the auctoritie of the same, that no person or persons, whatsoeuer he or they be, straunger or Denizen, from and after the fyrst day of June next commynge, shall shyppe, conuey, or abbet, procure or cause to be shypped or conueied in, or to any Shippe, Boate, or other vessel, in, or vpon the Sea, or in, or vpon other Hauen, Riuer, Creke, or place wythin this Realme of Englande, or Wales, or other the Quenes dominions, anye maner, of Leather tanned or untanned, or anye salt, or untanned Hides, or any Leather called Backes, or sole Leather, or any Tallow, to thintent to transport, or cary the same in any the parties beyond the Sea, ther to be vttered, bartered, or sold by waye of Marchaundize, vppon payne that euerye suche offender, shal be demed, adiudged and taken to be a fellone for euery such offence. And that euerye person and persons beyng after the sayd fyrste daye of June, lawefully attaynted, by the due order of the common lawe of this Realme, before such as shal haue power and auctoritie to heare and determyne felonies by the common lawe, shal for euery such offence suffer such paines of death, forfeitures of goodes, and cattels, as he or they shuld haue done, yf he or they had bene lawefully attainted for any offence beyng felonye, by the

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common lawe of this Realme. And also shal forfeit to the Quenes highnes, her heires, and successours, al his or their landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, durynge the lyfe of euery suche offender onely.

AND for the better executyon of this lawe, and for the metynge with the offenders therein: Be it also enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that all and euery offence or offences, committed or done by any person or persons, contrary to this acte, from and after the said first day of June next comming, shalbe inquired of, tried, determined, and iudged in suche Countye of this Realme, or other the Quenes dominions, as shalbe next adioyning to the place, wher any such offence shalbe first committed, any iurisdiction, auctoritie or blage to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provyded alwayes and be it enacted by thaurthoritie aforesaid, that this act, nor any thing therein conteyned, shal in any wyse extend or be interpreted to make any corruption of bloude, of any such offendour, or of any heire of any such offendour, but that euery heire and heires, of euery such offendour and offendours, in any of the cases aforesaid, and also the wife of euery suche offendour, shal haue after the death of euery such offendour or offendours, like title, interest benefite, profite, commoditie, actyon, and aduauntage, as they or any of them shoulde haue had, if any such offence, conuiction, or attayndour, had not bene had ne made.

SAVINGE TO ALL and euery person and persons, bodyes polytike and corporate, their heires, and successours, and the heires and successours of euery of them, other then al and euery such offendour and offendours, which shalbe conuicted or attaynted, by anye such offence, all such right, title, interest, rentes, leasles, commons, profits, comodities, aduauntages and heredytamentes, whatsoeuer they be, as thei or any of them might or ought to haue had, in, or to any Manors, Lades, Tenementes, Rentes pencions, Seruices, hereditamentes, or other thinges whatsoeuer, or in, or to any part or parcel thereof, to al intentes, constructions, and purposes, as he or they shoulde haue had, yf suche attainer had neuer bene hadde ne made. Any thing in this acte conteyned to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provyded also þ this act or any thing therein conteined, shal not be hurtful, nor preiudiciall to any Captayne of any Shippe in the tyme of warre, being in the retynue and seruice of the quenes Maiestye, or her heires or Successours, nor to any owner or mayster of any Shippe, nor to any other being the Quenes Subiect, and trauallyng to any foren partes beyond the Sea, for the hauynge, carryng, and taking with him or them in tyme aswel of warre as of peace, of anye Hides, Leather, or Tallowe, for their necessarye bses
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aboute their ship or shippes, so that it be not to be bettered beyonde the Seas, by any fraude or coun, by way of Marchaundise. This acte or any thing therein conceyned to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that this acte, or the effect and substance thereof, shalbe openly redde, published or declared, at every quarter Sessions, and at euery lete or lawe day, by the Justices that shall getie the charge at the Sessions. And by the Sherwarde of the lete or lawe daye, in his charge when he keepeth the lete or lawe day.

This acte to endure from the sayd fyrst Daye of June, and to continue the space of fyue yeares. And from thence vnto the ende of the next Parliament, after the sayd fyue yeares.

An Acte lymittinge the tynes for layinge on lande
Marchaundise from beyonde the Seas, and touchynge
Customes for swete wyne.

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Moste humble shewinge, beseechen youre hyghnes, your Lordes, and Commons in this presente Parliament assembled. That where the sommes of moneye payde in the name of Customes and subsidies, of wares, and Marchaundises, transported oute, and brought into this your hyghnes Realme of Englande, by any marchaunt straunger, or denizen, is an aunciente reuenue annexed and vniited to youre imperyall Crowne, and hath in the tyme of kyng Edward the thyrde, and other your moste noble progenitors, amounted to great and notable sommes of money, tyll of late yeares many greedy and couetous personnes, respectyng more theyr pryuate gayne and comoditie, then theyr duetie and allegiaunce, or the common proffyt of the Realme, haue and do dayly as well by conueyinge the same theyr wares and marchaundises out of creekes, and places, where no custome is residente, as also by or thorough the negligence or corruption of the customer, searcher, or other officer, where they be resident, as by diuers other fraudulent, vndue and subtyll practises and deuyses, conuey their goodes & marchaundises, as well broughte from the parties beyonde the Sea, as transported oute of this your Realme of Englande, without payment or agreyng for the payment of the customes and subsidies, therefore due. Whereby the yearely reuenue aforesayde, is very muche empayred and dimynished, to the

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greate losse and vantage of your highnes, and to the greate byrden
and charge of your loving Subiectes, who by occasion thereof haue
of late yeaeres bene more charged with Subsidies; a payment for the
supplement of the sayde losse and Damage, then els we shoulde haue
done. That it maie therefore be enacted by auctoritie of this present
Parliament, that it shall not be lawefull to or for any person or per-
sons whatsoeuer, from and after the fyrste daye of September next
comynge, to lade or put, or cause to be laden or put, of or from anye
wharfe, keye, or other place, on the land, into any shyp, bessel, crayer,
lighter, or botome, anye goodes, wares, or marchaundises whatsoe-
uer; (yshe taken by your highnes subiectes, onely excepted) to
be transported into any place of the parties beyonde the Sea, or into
the Realme of Scotland, or to take by discharge and lade on land
or cause or procure to be taken by or dyscharged out of anye lyghter,
shyppe, Crayer, bessel, or botome, beyng not in a lecke or wracke,
and laide on land, anye goodes, wares, or marchaundises, whatsoe-
uer (yshe taken by any of your highnes subiectes, and salte onely ex-
cepted) to be broughte from anye the parties beyonde the Sea, or the
Realme of Scotland, by way of marchaundises, but onely in the day
light, that is to say, from the fyrst of March, vntyll the last of Septe-
ber, betwixt the sonne rising, and the sonne setting, and from the last
of September, vntyll the fyrst of March, betwene the howers of le-
uen in the moynge, and foure at the after none, and in, and vpon
some suche open place, keye, or wharffe, places, keyes, or wharffes,
as your highnes, your heiers or successours, shall on this side the sayd
fyrst daye of September, therefore assigne and appointe by vertue of
your highnes commission or commissions, within your graces porte
of London, Southampton, Bristow, Welschester, Newcastle, and
the suburbs of the same, and euerye of them, and in some open place,
keye, wharffe, places, keyes, or wharffes, in all other portes, creekes,
Hauens, or Roodes, whil onely excepted, where a customer, comptrol-
ler, and searcher, of suche portes, Hauens, Creekes, or Roodes & eu-
ry of the, or the seruantes of any of them haue bi the space of .x. yeaeres
last past ben accustomed resident, or hereafter shalbe resident, vpon
payne of forfeiture of all such goodes, wares, or marchaundises soo
laden or discharged contrary to the true meanyng of this acte or the
value thereof.

And be it further enacted by thaurthorpyte aforesayde, that noo
maner of person or personns, after the said day shall receiue or take in-
to any shyp, crayer, or other bessel, any goodes, wares or marchaun-
dises (excepte before excepted) to be transported into anye place, be-
yonde the Sea, or into the Realme of Scotland, by waye of Mar-
chaundise, nor shall dyscharge and lade on lande, out of anye shyppe,
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Crayer, or other vessell, anye goodes, warres, or marchaundise (excepte before excepted) beyng broughte from anye place beyond the Sea, or oute of the Realme of Scotland, by waye of Marchaundise in anye other place or places, or at anye other howes or tymes, then is before lymytted and appoynted, vpon payne that the owner and owners, mayster and maisters, or other person or persones, which shall take charge, or guydyng of any such Shyppe, Crayer, or vessell, or of the marchaundise, goodes, during and for that viage, shall forfeyte and lose for euerye such offence. C. ponde, of lawefull money of Englande.

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And be it further enacted by aucthoritye aforesayde, that noo maister, shypper, or purser or other person or persons, taking charge of the vyage, or of the marchaundes goodes, shall after the said daye receiue or take into any Ship, Craier, or other vessell any goodes, wares or marchaundise (except before excepted, to be carryed or transported into any of the partes beyond the Sea, or into the Realme of Scotland, before he shall haue signified to the Customer of the porte, where he ladeth, and other officers, there in the open custome house, yf anye suche be there, or els wher the said officers, their deputies or seruantes or any of them, be or shalbe vsuallie resident, that he intendeth to lade, and to what place he intendeth to passe, noz shall after hys or theyr full lading, depart out of the porte, creekes, or Streame where he shall so lade, before he do in like manner signifye vnto the customer, and other officers as is aforesayd, of his lading, and what marchaundes and other persones shall haue lading with him, or in his Shippe, Craier, vessell or Botom. And further truely doo answere to suche questions as shall be ministred to him or the by the customer or other officer, concernyng such wares and marchaundes, as he shall haue laden, beyng examined vpon his or their othe, or other wise in the open custome house, or other wise as is aforesayde, vpon paine to forfeyte for euerye suche default not truely aduertising noz answering as is aforesayde, a hundred ponde.

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And be it further enacted by thauthoritie aforesayde, that noo owner, mayster, purser, or other person taking charge of anye shyppe, crayer, vessell, or botome, wherein anye goodes, wares, or marchaundes, except before excepted, shall be laden and brought from anye the parties beyonde the Sea, or the Realme of Scotland, shall after the sayd day discharge into anye lighter or botome, and laye on lande, or procure, cause or willingly suffer to be discharged into any lyghter or botome, and to be laide on land out of suche shyp, crayer, vessell or botome, any goodes, wares, or marchaundise whatsoeuer, before suche owner, mayster, purser, or other person or persones, takinge chardge of the shippe, crayer, botome, or vessell, or the marchaundes goodes, for

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that boyage shall haue signified and declared to the customer or other officer of the port, Hauen, or Creeke, where he arriueeth, the names of euery of the marchauntes or laders. And shal haue truely answered to suche questions, and interrogatories, touching or concernyng suche goodes, wares, or marchaundise, as shal be then laden in anye suche Ship, vessell, or botome, as shalbe to hym ministred by such customer or other officer, openlye in the custome house, or in suche other places as is aforesayd, vpon his or theyr oth, if nede soo requyre, vpon payne that euery suche maister, purser, or other person or personnes, takynge charge of such ship, crayer or other vessell, for that vyage, shall forfeite and lose for euery suche default not truely aduertising nor answeringe as is aforesayd an hundredth pound.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that frome and after the sayd day, no person Denisen ne straunger, do take vppon him to entre or doe, or cause to be entred into the booke of anye customer, or other officer or officers, of anye Porte or Hauen, within thys Realme, or his or theyr Deputie or Deputyes, seruaunte or seruauntes, any manner goodes, wares, or marchaundise, whatsoeuer comming or broughte into your highnes realme, fro any the parties beyond the Sea, or from the realme of Scotlande, or goinge or to be transported out of the same youre hyghnes Realme, into anye the partes beyonde the Sea or into the Realme of Scotlande, in the name or names of any other person or personnes, then the verye true owner or owners of the same goodes, wares, or marchaundises, being not sold, bargained or contracted for, to or with anye other person or personnes, before such entre, or before the arryual of such goodes, wares, or marchaundise, in the partes beyond the Sea, vpon payne of forfeiture of the value of the goodes so entred.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that yf any wharfinger, crane keper, searcher, lighter man, weighter or other officer, pertayninge to the subledye, custome or custome house, doo at any tyme after the said day, consente or knowe anye offence, or thynge to be committed or done contrary to the true meanyng of this acte, or anye article therein conteyned, and doo not within one moneth nexte after knowledge thereof had, disclose the same to the cheife customer or other officer of the Porte, where or within whose office or charge any such offence shalbe committed or done, or elles to the Lord Treasurer, Chauncelloure, vnder Treasurer, or one of the Barones of The erchequer or the attorneye generall for the tyme beyng, shall for euerye suche conceymente, or not dysclosyng suche offence as is aforesayde, forfeite and lose a hundredth pounde of good and lawfull monye.

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money of Englande.

And be it further enacted by the aucthoritie aforesayd, that the customer of Hull, shall have a seruaunte or deputye continually resident at the citie of Yorke, and euerye other customer comptroller, and searcher of euery pozte, shall from and after the daye aforesayde assigned, and appoynted, to and in euerye of the places aboue mentioned, and in all and euerye Pozte, Creeke, or Roode, where the seruaunt or any of them haue bene contynuallye residente by the space of tenne yeares, or hereafter shall be as is aforesayde, one able and sufficient deputye, or seruaunte at the leaste, and that aswell all and euerye of the customers, comptrollers, and searchers, as all and euerye his or theyr deputye and deputies, seruaunte and seruauntes, shall frome tyme to tyme, doo hys and theyr dyligente attendaunce, at the howses, times and places afoze appoynted, as well in the Custome house, as elles where, as it shall be mooste expedyente and conueniente, for the speedy dispatche of the marchaunte, and hys goodes, wares, and marchaundys, and for the due execution of thys Acte, in suche thinges as to hym or them shall appertaygne, withoute conceplemente, or consentynge to anye thyng or thynges, whiche maye be to the hurte or damage of youre hyghnes, youre heyres or successours, in the iust answeringe of youre highnes due customes and Subsidies, vpon paine that euerye suche Customer, comptroller and Searcher, shall forfayte and lose for euerye offence, by hym or them committed or doone, his or theyr seuerall offyce or offices, and an hundred pounde of lawefull moneye of Englande, the moytie of all whyche forfeyture, shall be to your hyghnes, youre heyres and successours, and the other moytie to hym or them that wyll sue for the same, in any your hyghnes courtes wherein no esoyne, or protection, wager of lawe, or iniunction shalbe admittted and allowed.

A D. W H C R E of late yeares there hath bene muche greater quantitie of sweete wyne, broughte into thys Realme, then in tyme paste hath benne accustomed, whiche benne also broughte frome the same place, where the wyne commonlye called maluesey is broughte, and is of the same nature of grape. And neuerthelesse eyther by neglygence, ignoraunce, or corruption of the offycers, there hath benne suche Custome and Subsidye receaued for the same, to the vse of youre hyghnesse, and youre progenitours, as is due, and oughte of verie ryghte to be payde for suche sweete wyne, commynge thorough the Strayghtes, commonlye called the Strayghtes of Harrocke, otherwyle Mallegaye, to the greate losse and hynderaunce of youre hyghnesse, and the burthen of vs youre lo-
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Be it enacted and declared by this present acte, and by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that lyke custome and subledie, is of verpe ryghte to be payde, and shall from henceforth be payde for suche swete wines as is aforesaid, as is, and hath bene accustomed to be payde for malueseyes, any negligence, none paymente, vlsage, or custome to the contrarpe in any wyse notwithstanding. Sauing to all and euery Lord marcher, and other person & persons, whatsoeuer body politike or corporate, all and euery such ryght, title, and interest, as they or anye of them, haue and of ryght ought to haue in the paymente or hauinge of anye fraunchyse, lybertie, custome, and subledie, or any of them, any thinge in this acte to the contrarpe notwithstanding.

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Prouided alwayes, and be it enacted, that it shalbe lawfull to ship, lade, and transport into the portes, beyond the Sea, al maner of corne and grayne, oute of the counties of Norffolke and Suffolke, and eyther of them, at suche places as heretofore hath bene accustomed, and betwene the howses in this acte appointed, when the same corne and grayne shall not excede the seuerall pysses, mentioned in the Statute made in the .v. and .vi. yere of our late Soueraigne Lord kinge Edward the sixt, intituled, an act against regrators, forstallers, and engrocers, the customes and subledies therfore due, being wel and truly payd, any thing in this act, or any other act or statute to the contrarpe notwithstandinge.

Prouided alwayes, that this acte, nor any thinge therein conteyned, be not preiudiciall or hurtfull to the Isle of Anglesey, the shpyres of Carnaruan, and Flynt, in Northwales. But that the inhabitauntes thereof and euerye of them, maye receiue, lade, and dyschardge accordyng to their old auncient vse, customes, or liberties, graunted to the or any of theyr predecessors, by the late kynge of famous memory, king Henry the eyght, or any other his progenitors. So that they and euery of them, pay the customes & subledies that shalbe due, and discharge and lode, within the tymes, and houres before mentioned, any thinge in this present acte, to the contrary notwithstandinge.

An acte against the deceitfull vsinge of Linnen
Clothe.

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Where certain euill disposed and deceiptfull persons, vsynge to buye and ingrose into there handes, greate store of linnen clothe; do vse to cast the peces of clothe ouer a beame of pece of timber made for theyr purpose, and do by sondry deuises, rache, stretche, and drawe the same both of length, & bredthe, and that done, do then with batel doyes, peces of timber and wood, and other thinges soe bere the same, euer casting there vpon certain deceiptfull liquors mingled with chaike, and other lyke thinges, wherby the said cloth is not onely made to seme much finer and thicker to the eye, than it is in dede, but also the thredes thereof be so losed and made weak, that after .iii. or .iiii. washynge, it wyll scarcely hold together to the great disceite, hinderaunce, and losse of the subiectes of this Realme.

Be it therefore enacted by the aucthoritye of thys presente Parlyament that yf anye person or persones, shall hereafter wyllynghly vse or cause to be vled the aforesayde deceptes or anye other acte or actes, meane or meanes, to, in, or with anye kynde of linnen cloth, whereby y same shalbe deceiptful or worse to & for y good vse thereof, that then the said cloth shalbe forfeited & the offender therein to be punished bi one monethes imprisonment at the least. And shall pay such fine as shalbe assessed, for his or their offence or offences by y Iustices, before whom he or they shall be condemned accordyng to the tenor of this acte.

And be it further enacted by the aucthoritye aforesayde that all and euery the Iustices of oyer and determiner, & Iustices of assyses, in all their sessions and all Iustices of peace in euery countye & place of this Realme, or .iii. of them at the leaste, whereof one to be of the Quorum shall haue full power and aucthoritie to inquire, heare, & determine the offences aforesayde, in there sessions, by informacyon, inditement, or vpon the trauele of anye presentmēt, or inditement found before the sayde Iustices or any of them.

And be it further enacted by the aucthoritye aforesayde, that yf any person or persones, shall at the nexte sessions of the peace (after y said sealer, to be kepte within the shyre or place, where the sealer was made, or before two Iustices of peace, wherof one to be of y Quorum) make due information of the offence and of the sealer of the said cloth or elles shall procure the offenders to be thereof indited, at the sayde nexte sessions after, the sayd sealer. And shall also be bound before y sayd Iustices by recognisaunce or oblygation to y vse of the Quenes Maiestie her heyres and successours, in such forme as the said Iustices or anye of them, shall thinke mete for the greatnes of the matter and to pursue the same matter with effecte, and to gyue euydence as of ryght apperteyneth, and also to paye and gyue the moitye of all that he or they shall soe recover, and receyue, to the Sheryffe, or other accomptaunte, to the vse of the Quenes Maiestie, her heyres and

and successours, and the one halfe of all the forfeitures and fines of and for the premises to be unto the Queenes Maiestie, her heires and successours, and the other indyte to him or to them that shall make information, or procure inditeementes, of and for the premises, and shall followe the same with effect. And further be it ordeyned, and enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that the Justices befoze whome anye suche offence shalbe tryed, shall certifie the same by theyr escheate, into the exchequer, at the least yearly at Michaelmas, as they be bounde to do other theyr escheates, and upon that certificate the Barounes of the Exchequer, to haue full power and auctoritie to make proces for so muche therof, as by this estatute shall apperteyne to the Queenes Maiestie, in lyke maner and forme as they ouely do for anye other fines and amerciamentes, so certified befoze them.

An Acte for the Shippinge in Englishe Bottomes.

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Here by diuers statutes made in the tyme of the Queenes Maiesties moste noble progenitours, it hath ben enacted and provided that no personne bothe within the Realme of England, or beyng of the lygeaunte of the prince of the sayd Realme, or anye the Dominions of the same, shuld shyp any manner of marchandise either out of the Realme, or into the same, but onely in a shyp or bottom, whereof the sayd prince or somme other of theyr subiectes, were owners, possessioners, proprietaries, and maisters, and the maryners of the same vessel, for the moze parte to be also theyr subiectes, vppon divers paynes and penalties, as in the sayde statutes moze playnely appeareth. Since the makinge of which said statutes other forrayne princes, syndyng them selves agreed with the saide severall actes, as thinking that the same were made to the hurt & prejudice of theyr country & nauye, haue made like penall lawes agaynst such as shoulde shyp out of theyr countries in anye other vessels, then of theyr severall countries and dominions, by reason whereof there hath not onely growen great displeasure, betwixt the forrayne princes and the kynges of this realme, but also the marchauntes haue bene sore greued and endamaged. For reformation whereof, and for encrease of contynuance of amitie. Be it enacted that the severall actes made in the fyfte yeare of kyng Rycharde the second, the thyrde Chapter, & in the fourth yeare of the late kyng of famous memory king Henry the seventh, entituled of wine & tholouze ode, shalbe fro hencefoorth clerely boide and of none effect. And neuerthelesse for auoiding of gret discreit practised & noto

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nowe a dayes vsed by sundry subiectes bozne wythin this Realme of England, and dominions of the same, whiche enter in the customers bookes, wares, and Marchaundize of Alyens, bozne in their own name, wherby the quenes Maiestie is defrauded in her customes and Subsidies, to the great decay of the aunyciente reuenues of the Crowne. Be it enacted by thauctozitie of this present parliament, that al & euery person and persons, being owner or owners of any goodes, wares, or marchaundyzes, which after the fyrst day of January next ensuinge, the session of this present Parliament, shal in tyme of peace and when there is no restraynt made of Englyshe shippes: embarke, shippe, lade, or dyscharge by waye of marchaundize, anye wares, or marchaundize (masses, raffe, pitch, tarre, and corne onely excepted) out of, or into any shippe, barke, hoy, vessel, or bottome, whereof our sayd Soueraigne Ladye the Quene, her heires, or successours, or some of her or their Subiectes of thys Realm, or the dominions of the same, be not possessyoners and proprietaries, & the maisters vnder God, and the mariners of the same ship or shippes, for the most part be not subiectes of our said Soueraigne Lady, her heires and successours. Shall aunswere, yelde, and pay to the vse of our said soueraigne lady the Quene, her heires & successours, such custome and subledy for such wares & marchaundizes so shipped, laden or discharged as is aforesaid, rate & rate like as straungers and aliens, bozne out of the obeyssaunce of our saide Soueraigne Lady the Quenes Maiestie, do and ought to paie for wares & marchaundizes, of like nature and kind. And be it further enacted by the aucthoritie aforesaid, that no hope, or plate wherof any Englysh subiect or subiectes, is, be, or shalbe owner or owners at any tyme after the fyrst day of January aforesayd, from any port creke, or place of this sayd Realme of England, or any of the dominions of the same, shal trauers or crosse the Seas, in, to, or for any of the portes beyonde the Seas, with anye wares, goodes or marchaundize, vpon peyne that the sayd owner or owners shal forfait and lose the same hope or plate, with all and euery the municyon, taklinge, and other necessities, pertainyng therunto, whereof the one moytye to be to the vse and behoffe of the Quenes sayde Maiestie, her heires and successours: And thother moitie to the person or persons, which wil sue for the same, by bil, plaint, action, or infor-mation in any her highnes courtes at Westmynster, in whiche case no wager of lawe, protection or essoigne shalbe admitted.

PROVIDED alwayes, & be it enacted that it shalbe laweful to the marchautes, comonly called marchautes aduenturers, & marchautes of y Staple, & euery of the, at their seueral fletes, or shippinges of cloth, & wol, and either of the from & out of y Riuer of Thamise, onely being made twyse in one yeare at the most, to embarke, shyp and

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and lade anye goodes, wares or marchaundize in, or to any shyppe
bessell, or bottome, belongyng or apperteinyng to any straunger or
alien boyme, so long and at such time as ther be not shippes, bessels
or botomes belongyng to the quenes highnes, her heires or succes-
sours, or any of her subiectes in the sayd Riuer of Chamise, suffici-
ent in number, and apte, and mete for the sure and safe conueiaunce
of the wares and marchaundize, into the partes of Flaunders, Hol-
land, Zeland, or Brabat, or any of them, without paying any grea-
ter or more custome, and Subledye, then Englyshe men do, & ought
to pay: anye thinge in this acte, to the contrary notwithstanding.
Thys act to continue and stand in force, for the space of fiue yeares
onely next immediatly folowing this present Session of parliamēt
and from thense to the end of the Parliament then next folowynge.

PROVIDED that forasmuch as the Marchauntes of the Cytie of
Bristowe, haue susteyned of late great losses at the Sea by the ene-
myes, by reason of takynge of all their beste shippes, wyth muche
substaunce, so that they be not of abilitie to prouide sufficient ships
and bessels of their owne within the time limitted in this present
Acte, that they for lacke of their owne shippes or any other bessels
of the Quenes dominions, within .xl. myles of the Cytie of Brys-
towe, maye lode and embarke their owne wares and marchaun-
dizes in straungers botomes, without payinge any other custome,
then for wares and marchaundizes laden in Englyshe botomes.
This act or any thing therein conteined to the contrary notwith-
standynge.

AN ACTE for the contynuaunce of the makinge of
woollen Cloth, in dyuers Townes in the Countre
of Essex.

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WHEREAS BY A certayne acte of Parlyament be-
gon at Westmynster, the .xx. daye of Januarie, in
the fourth and fyfth yeares of the Reygnes of the
late king Philyppe and Quene Marie, and there
continued till the .vii. day of Marche, in the sayde
fourth and fift yerres of the raignes of the said late
kinge and Quene, amongst other thinges it was
enacted, that from and after the first day of May, then next folow-
ing, no person or persons, whatsoeuer: shal vse or exercise the seate
or mistery of making, weauing, or rowyng of woollen clothes, long
or short, or carseies, pinned whites, or plaine streightes to thintent
to put þe same to sale, but onely in a market town where cloth hath
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continually ben vsed to be made by the space of. x. yeres then laste past, or in a citie, borough, or towne corporate, bypon payne of forfeiture for euery such wollen cloth or carsey made, wouen, or rowed out of such citie, borough, towne corporate, or markette towne, fyue poundes.

And where also it is prouided in the sayd acte, that it shalbe lawfull to any person, then vsyng or exerceysng the seate or mystery of making, weauing or rowing of cloth or carsey, to inhabite or dwell where he then did dwell, and there to vse the making, weauyng, or rowyng of cloth or carsey, as he hath heretofore, any thyng in the sayde acte notwithstanding.

And where it is further prouyded by the sayd acte, that it shalbe lawfull to al and euery person or persons, which then dyd, or after that tyme should inhabite or dwell in anye of the shires of Northwales or Southwales, Cheshyre, or Lancashyre Westmerlande, Cumberland, Norththumberland, Byshoprike of Durham, Cornewall, Suffolke, Kent, the towne of Goddelmyne in the countie of Surrey, or yorckeshyre, beyng not wythin twelue myles of the cytie of yorke, or in any of the townes or byllages neare adioynyng to the water of Strowd in the countie of Gloucestre, where clothes hath ben vsually made by the space of twenty yeres then last past, and hauing ben apprentyce to thoccupacion of cloth makynge, or vsed the same by the space of seuen yeres, to sette bp, vse, and exerce the seate or mystery of makynge, weauing or rowing of wollen cloth, out of a citie, borough, or market towne, as before that time they myght haue done, any thyng in the sayd acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

And forasmuch as the townes or byllages of Bockyng, Westbarfolde, Bedham, and Cockshal in the countie of Essex be sayre large Townes, and as well planted for cloth makynge as the sayd towne of Goddelmyne, or better, and fewe townes in thys Realme better planted for that purpose, and haue bene inhabyted of a long tyme with clothmakers, which haue made and dayly do make good and trewe Cloth, to the great common weale of the country there, and nothyng prejudycall to, or for the common wealth of thys realme.

Be it therefore ordeined and enacted by thauthoritie of this present parliament, that it shalbe lawfull to al and euery such person and persons whiche nowe do inhabyte or dwell, or hereafter shall dwell in the sayde townes or byllages of Bockyng, Westbarfolde Cockeshall, and Bedham, or in anye of them, nowe vsyng or exerceysng, or that hereafter shall vse or exerce the seate or mystere of makynge, weauyng, or rowyng of Clothe or Carsey by the

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space of seven yeres at the least, or haue ben pzentpce thereto by the sayd space of seven yeres, to inhabite and dwel in the sayd townes or byllages of Bockynge, Westbarfolde, Cockeshall, and Bedham, and in euery or any of them, and to vse the makynge, weauynge, or rowynge of Clothe or Carsey as before this time they myght haue done yf the sayd acte had neuer ben made, anye thyng in the saide acte to the contrarpe thereof made, or anye other acte, Statute or lawe heretofore made, or hereafter to be made to the contrarpe hereof in any wyse notwithstanding.

AN ACTE that timber shall not be felled to make Coales for the burnynge of yron.

The. xvi. Chapter.



FOR THE auoydyng of destruction and wastynge of tymbre, be it enacted by oure Soueraygne Ladye the Quenes Maiestye, the Lordes spirytual and tempo-
rall, and the commons in thys presente Parlyamente assembled, and by thauithorpytie of the same, that no personne or personnes hereafter shall conuert or imploye, or cause to be conuerted or imployed to Coale or other fuel, for the making of yron, any timber tree, or tymber trees, of Oke, Beeche, or Ashe, or of anye parte thereof, of the breadth of one foote square at the stubbe, and growynge wythin. xiiii. myles of the Sea, or of anye part of the ryuers of Thames, Setterne, Wyre, Humbre, Dee, Tyne, Teese, Trent, or any other Riuer, Creeke, or Streame, by the which carpage is commonly vsed by boate or other vessell, to anye parte of the sea, vpon payne of forseypture for euery such tree, or any part therof so imployed or conuerted to coale, or other fuell, for the making of yron as is aforesayde, forty shyllynge of lawfull money of England, the one halfe of all which forseyitures to be to our Soueraygne Ladye the Quenes Maiestye, and to her heyres and successors, and the other moitye to him or them that wyl so sue for the same, by orygyneall wrytte, byll, playnt, or intormation, wherein no esloigne, protection, iniunction, or wager of lawe shalbe admytted or allowed.

PROVIDED alwayes, that this act shal not extend to the countye of Suller, nor to the weylde of Kente, nor to anye the paryshes of Charlewoode, Newedygate, and Lyghe, in the weylde of the coun-
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ty of Surrey. This acte to begynne and take effect from and after the feast of the Nativite of S. John Baptist next commynge, after this session of parliament.

AN ACTE to continue the acte made agaynst rebellious assemblies.

The. xlii. Chapter,



WHERE IN THE Parliament holden at Westmynster the. xliii. day of October in the first yere of the raigne of the late Quene Mary, sister vnto the Quenes highnesse that now is, there was one acte & statute made againste vnlawefull and rebellious assemblies, to endure and stand in force vnto the end of the next parliament then folowinge, as by the same act more playnely doth appere. which said act and statute in the parliament holden at Westmynster the. xli. day of November, in the firste and seconde yeres of the raigne of the late kinge Philip and Quene Marye, amonges other thinges was then and there continued vnto the laste daye of the next parliament. And after at the next parliament begon and holden at Westmynster the. xli. daye of October in the seconde and third yeres of the said late king Philip and Quene Mary, the said acte and Statute amonges other thinges was also further continued to stande in force, vntyll the last day of the nexte parliament then folowynge.

And also at the next parliament holden at Westmynster the. xli. day of January in the fourth and fyfth yeres of the raignes of the sayd late kinge and Quene, the sayde acte and Statute amongest other thinges was lykewyse further contynued to stande and remayne in force vntill the last day of the next parliament then folowynge, whiche is this present parliament, and so the sayde act and statute by the actes of continuance aforesaide, doth stand in force but onely vnto the last day of this present parliament.

And forasmuch as the sayd act & statute durynge al the time aforesaid, hath ben proued by experience to be a very good and beneficial lawe, & mete to be continued and kepte in force, as well for the preservation of the peace, as also for the common wealth, and quietnes of this realme: Be it therfore enacted by auctoritie of this present parliament, that the said act and statute, & euery braunch, clause, and article therein conteyned, shall stande, remayne, contynue, and be in full force and strength, to all intentes and purposes, for and durynge the naturall lyfe of the Quenes mooste excellent

lent maiestie that now is (which almighty god long preferue and continue) and to thend of the parliament the next folowynge. And that the said act and Statute, and the wordes and sentences mentioned and conteyned in the sayde acte, shall extende and be to the Quenes hyghnes that now is, as fullpe and amplye as euer the same dyd extend to the sayde late Quene Mary.

AN ACT for the preservation of spawne

Continued in du^o 31. and frye of fysh. Continued in du^o 14. Eliz^a: 11: 10. Continued in du^o 35. Eliz^a: 11: 7.

Continued in du^o 27. Eliz^a: 11: 11. Continued in du^o 29. Eliz^a: 11: 5.



FOR THE preservation hereafter of Spawne, frye, & yonge breede of Eles, Salmons, Pykes, and of all other fysh, which heretofore hath ben much destroyed in ryuers and streames, salte and freshe within this Realme, in so much that in dyuers places, they feede swyne and dogges with the frye and Spawne of fysh, and other wyse (lamentable and horrible to be reported) destroy the same, to the great hynderaunce and decay of the common wealth.

Be it therefore enacted by the Quenes moste excellent maiestie, the Lordes spirituall and tempozal, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by thauthoritie of the same, that no person or persons, of what estate, degree, or condition so euer he or they be, from and after the fyrst day of June next comynge, with any maner of nette, weele, butte, tynnyng, kepper, lyme, crele, raw, fagnet, trolnette, trymenet, trimbote, stalbote, webblister, seur, lammet, or with any deuyle or engine made of heare, woll, lyne, or canvas, or shall vse any helyng nette, or trimle boate, or by anye other deuyle, enginne, cawtell, wayes or meanes whatsoeuer, heretofore made or deuyled, or hereafter to be made or deuyled, shall take and kyll any yonge brode, spawne, or fry of Eles, Salmon, Pyke, or Dic kerell, or of any other fysh in any fludgate, pipe at the tayle of any myll, weare, or in any streites, streames, brokes, ryuers, salt or freshe within this realme of England, wales, Barwyke, or the marches therof, nor shall from and after the fyrst day of June next comynge by any of the wayes and meanes aforesayde, or other wyse, in anye ryuer or place aboue specified, take & kyll any Salmons, or Crowtes, not beyng in season, beyng kepper Salmons, or kepper Crowtes, wedder Salmons, or wedder Crowtes.

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AND be it further enacted by aucthoritie aforesaid, that no person or persons, of what estate, degree, or condityon he or they shalbe of, from and after the saide first day of June, by any of the meanes aforesayd, in anye of the ryuers or places aboue named, shall take and kyl any piecke or pickerell, not beyng in length tenne inches fische or more, nor any salmon not being in length. xvi. inches fische and more, nor any troute, not being in length. viii. inches or more, nor any barbel, nor being in length. xii. inches or more. And to thintent the said young fry, brode, or Spawne, may be preserved according to the true meaning hereof.

BE IT further enacted by th aucthoritie aforesayde, that no manner of person or persons, from and after the fyrst day of June next comynge, shal fische or take fische with any maner of nette, tramel, kepe, wore, hiuy, crele, or by any other ingyn, deuise, wayes or meanes whatsoeuer, in any riuer or other places aboue mencioned, but onely with net, or tramel, wherof euery meshe or maske shalbe two inches and a halfe brode, anglynge excepted.

PROVIDED neuerthelesse, and be it enacted by aucthoritie aforesayd, that in all suche places where smeltes, loches, minneys, bulheades, gudgions, or eles hath bene vsed to be takē and killed, that in al such places, it shalbe laweful onely for the taking of smeltes, loches, mineis, gudgions and eles, to vse suche nettes, lepes, and other ingines, deuises waies and meanes, as heretofore hath ben vsed for the taking of the same. So that such person or persons vsing or occupiynge such nettes, or other ingynes, as is last afoze mencioned, do not take, kil, or destroy any other fische, with the said nettes or ingynes contrarpe to the tenoure and forme aboue in thys estatute conteyned.

AND be it further enacted that if any person or persons after the aforesayde daye, linytted in thys present Acte, offend in any of the poyntes before rehearsed, contrary to the tenour, forme, and purpose of anye parte of the same, that then euery suche person and persons so offending, shall lose and forfeite for euery tyme of his or their offence the somme of. xx. s. and the fische so taken contrary to the tenour hereof, and also the vnlaweful nettes, ingines, deuyses and instrumentes, whatsoeuer they be, wherewyth or wherebye suche offence, shall fortune to be made, comytted or done. And to thintent that a perfecte executyon maye be hadde of thys presente Acte.

Be it further ordeyned by aucthoritie aforesayde, that the Lord Admirall of Englande, and the Maior of the Cytie of London, for the tyme beinge, and all and euery other personne and personnes bodyes politike and Corporate, which by graunt or other laweful
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waies or meanes, lawfully, haue or ought to haue any conseruati-
 on or preservation, of any riuers, streames, or water, or punishmen-
 tes and corrections of offences committed in any of them, shal haue
 full power and auctoritie by vertue of this act, to enquire of al the
 offences to be committed and done contrarie to the effect, and true
 meaning of this act, within his or their such lawful rule, govern-
 ment, iurisdiction, and conseruacy by the othes of, xii. men or more
 And to heare and determine al and euery the same offences, commit-
 ted within his or their such iurisdiction conseruacye, rule and go-
 uernment. And that all such paines and forfeitures, as shal rise, or
 growe by the reason of any such conuycyon, for anye thoffences
 aforesayd, shalbe to thuse of euery of the said person and persones,
 beyng no body politique or corporate, nor head of any body polity-
 que or corporate, before whom such conuiction as is aforesaid, shal
 be had, and to thuse of euerye suche body politique and corporate,
 as heretofore haue lawfullye hadde anye synes, forfeitures, and
 amerciamentes, for any offence, vnlawfully committed or done, in
 any such their iurisdiction, or conseruacies, upon conuiction, had
 before the heade of any suche body politike or corporate. And that
 also the Lorde of euery leete within this Realme of England, and
 waies, or the dominions of the same, shal haue full power and auc-
 thoritie to enquire of al thoffences contrary to the purporte, tenor
 and forme of this estatute, within the precincte of their sayd leete,
 such inquiry to be had, in maner and forme, and after such sort as
 comon amerciamentes, or other thinges, inquierable in their court
 leete, haue bene lawfully bled and accustomed to be had and made,
 And that upon euery such presentment had in any court or leete, by
 the oth of twelue men or more, as is aforesaid, of any offence or of-
 fences, made contrarie to the tenoure of thys estatute: that then
 all suche forfeiture aboue in thys estatute lymptted and apoynt-
 ted for such offence, shalbe vnto the lord of the said leete for the time
 beyng, to his owne vse for euer, and shalbe leuyed in suche maner
 and forme, as amerciamentes for affrayes, commytted within the
 precincte of such leete, haue bene bled and accustomed to be leuyed.
 And if anye leete, after the sayde fyrst day of June, be kept wythin
 this Realme of England, or waies, or the dominions thereof, and
 the Steward of the sayde leete, for the tyme beyng, or other for
 him, do not charge the Jury sworne in suche leete to enquire of all
 thoffences done within the precincte of the sayde leete, contrarie
 to the tenour and forme of this Estatute: That then the Steward
 of the sayde leete, to leese and forfeyte fortye shyllynge. Thone
 moytie of whyche forfeitures shalbe to the Quenes Maiestye, her
 heires and successours, and thother moytie to hym that will sue
 for the same. And if any Jury sworne in any leete, and being char-
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ged to enquire of the offences committed within the precincts of that leete, do wylfully & wyllyngly conceale and make default in presentment, or do not present the offence and offendours: That then it shalbe lawfull to the steward, or baylye of the leete, or his or theyr deputie for the tyme being, to empanell one other Jurye within the said leete, and to enquire of such conceilement, default and none presentment, and that vpon such conceilement, default or none presentment founde and presented, euery of the sayd Jurours which so dyd conceale, make default or not present, shal lose and forfeit for euery such offence, twenty shyllynges to the lord of the sayde leete, the same to bee leuyed in maner and fourme as is abouesayde, for the other offences limited and expessed.

And it is further enacted by aucthoritie aforesayde, that if the offences aboue mentioned, touchyng the takynge, kyllynge, or destroying of fysh, or frye & spawne, bee not presented at the leete where they shalbe committed, within one yere nexte after the offence committed, that the Iustices of peace in theyr Sessions, Iustices of Oyer and determiner, and Iustices of Assise in theyr seuerall circuites, shall haue full power and aucthoritie to enquire therof, and to heare and determine al the offences committed contrary to the tenour of this estatute.

Sauyng alwayes to all and euery person and persons, bodyes politique and corporate, and euery of them, all suche ryght, tittle, interest, clayme, priuiledge, and conseruation, and enquiry, and punishment of and for any the offences aforesayde, as they or any of them lawfully haue and enioy, or of right ought to haue and enioy, by any maner of meanes, any thyng in this act to the contrary notwithstanding. This acte to endure to the ende of the nexte parliament.

Provyded alwayes that this acte, or any thyng therein conteyned shall not extende vnto the fyshynge of the ryuer or water of Tweede, nor to any ryuer or water wherof the Quenes Maiestie is answered of any yerely rent or profite, nor to the owners, fermours and occupiers of the ryuers of walke, or wyke, in the countie of Donmouth, for any fysh hereafter to be take in any the ryuers or waters before mentioned and expessed, but that it may be lawfull at all seasonable tyme and tymes hereafter for suche as haue or shall haue any maner of interest therein, to take and fysh the sayde ryuers and waters, in suche manner and fourme as heretofore hath ben bled and accustomed, not blyng anye nette or engine, to the intent wyllyngly to take, kill, & destroy the spawne breede, or frye, breedynge of any kynde of fysh, within the sayde se-

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within the sayd severall ryvers or waters, this act or anye thyng therein mentyoned or conteyned to the contrary notwithstanding.

AN ACTE for the continuance of certayne Statutes.

The. xix. Chapter.



HERE IN THE Parliament begonne and holden at London the thyrday of Nouembre, in the. xxi. yere of þe raigne of our most dread soueraigne lord of most famous memory king Henry theight, and fro thence adiourned to Westminster, and there holden and continued by dyuers prorogations vnto the dissolution thereof, one acte was made for the true winding of wolles, and one other acte was there made to restrayne kyllinge of waynelinges, bullockes, stires, and heifers beyng vnder the age of twoo yeaeres, whiche said seueral actes were then made to endure and continue vnto the next parliamēt, as by the sayde seueral actes more plainly appeareth. And wher also in the same parliament one other act was made & established for attaintes to be sued for the punishment of perjury bpō vntrue verdictes, which act last before reherfed was then made & ordeyned to continue and endure to the last day of the next parliament, as by the same acte more playnly appeareth.

And where also in the parliament begon and holden at Westminster the. viii. day of June, in the. xxviii. yere of the raign of our said most dread soueraign Lord king Henry theight, and there continued and kept vntill the dissolution thereof, it was ordeyned & enacted that all and synguler the sayde actes aboue remembred, and euery of them shuld continue and endure in theyr force & strength, and also be obserued and kept vntyl the last day of the next parliament, as by the same acte amonges other thynges therein conteyned, more playnely appeareth.

And where also in the parliament begon and holden at Westminster the. xxviii. day of Apryl in the. xxxi. yere of þe raigne of our sayd late most dread soueraigne lord king Henry theight, and ther continued vntyll the. xxviii. day of June then next folowynge, it was ordeined and enacted by thauthoritie of the same parliament, that all and singuler the sayd seuerall actes aboue remembred, & euery of the and all articles, clauses, and prouisions in them and euery of them conteyned, shuld continue & endure in theyr force and strength, and also

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also be obserued and kept until the last day of the next parliament as by the same acte amonges other thinges therein contained more playnely appeareth.

AND wher in the parliament holden at Westminster, in the. rrrb. yere of the raigne of our said late soueraigne lord kinge Henry the eyght, one act was made for the preservation of woodes, to endure for seuen yeres then next folowyn, and fro thence to thend of the next parliamēt, as by the same act more plainely it doth & may appeare. And where also at the parliament holden at Westmin. in the rrrbii. yere of the raigne of the sayd late king Henry the eighth, & ther continued and kept until the dissolution therof, it was ordeined & enacted, that al and singuler the said actes aboue remembred, and euery of them (except þe said act made for the preservation of woodes as is aforesaid) shuld continue and endure in their force & strength and also be obserued & kept until the last day of the next parliamēt the next folowyn, as by the same act amonges other thinges therein conteyned more plainly appeareth. And wher also at the session of the parliament ended at Westminster the. xiii. day of March, in the thirde yere of the raigne of our late soueraigne lord king Edward the fyrst, one acte was made for the true curryinge of leather, which act was made to endure to thend of the next parliament, as by the same act more plainely appeareth. And where also at þe session of a parliament ended at Westmin. the first day of february in the iiii. yere. of þe raigne of our sayd late soueraigne lord king Edward the. vi. one act was then and there made concerning the buyng of rother beastes: and also one other act was then and ther made touching the buyng & selling of butter and cheese, which saide seuerall actes were then and ther made to endure and continue unto thend of the next parliamēt, as by the same seuerall actes more at large it doth and may appeare. And wher also at the session of a parliamēt by prorogation holden at Westmin. the. xiiii. day of January, in þe fyrst yere of þe raigne of our said late soueraigne lord king Edward the sixt, one other act was then & there made agaynst regratoures and forestallers, to endure to thend of the next parlyament: al and singuler which said actes aboue mētioned together, with the sayd act for the preservation of woodes, at a parliament holden at West. the first day of March, in the seuenth yere of the raigne of our said late soueraigne lord king Edward the. vi. and there continued and dissolved the last day of the same moneth of March, and al clauses articles, & prouisions in them and euery of them conteyned, were there reuiued and continued to stande in theyr force and strengthe until the last day of the next parliament.

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And where also at the session of a Parliament holden by pro-rogatio at westminster the. xiiii. day of October, in the first yere of the raigne of the late Quene Mary, syster to the Quenes byghnes that nowe is, and there continued and kept vntyll the dissolution therof, all and singuler the actes aboue mentioned, & before that tyme continued at sundry parlamentes as is aforesayde, and all clauses, articles, and prouisions in them and euery of them conteyned, were there reuyued and continued to stande in theyr force and strength vnto the last day of the next parliament.

And where also at a parliament begon and holden at westminster the. xii. day of Nouember, in the first and second yeaeres of the raignes of the late kyng Phillip and Quene Mary, and there continued and kept vntyll the dissolution of the same beyng the. xvi. day of January then next ensuyng, all and singuler the actes aboue remembred, that were before that tyme continued at sundry parlamentes, as is aforesayde, and al clauses, articles and prouisions in them and euery of them conteyned, were by thaucthoritie of the sayde parliament there reuyued and continued to stande in theyr force and strength vnto the last day of the next parliament.

And where also at a parliament begon and holden at westminster the. xxi. day of October, in the seconde and thyrde yeaeres of the raignes of the sayde late kyng Phillip and Quene Mary, and there continued vntyll the dissolutio of the same, being the. ix. day of December then next ensuyng, one act was then and there made for the keepyng of Wyche kyne, and for the breadyng and rearing of calves, and one other act for the reedyfying of decayed houses of husbandry, and for the encrease of tyllage, the sayd twoo seuerall actes to endure tyll the last day of the next Parliament, as by the same more at large doth appeare. And forasmuch as al and singuler the sayde seuerall actes aboue mentioned, be good and beneficiall for the common wealth of this realme:

Be it therfore enacted, ordeyned and established by the Quenes moste excellent Maiestie, with the assent of the Lordes Spiritual and Temporall, and the Commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by the aucthoritie of the same, that all and synguler the sayde seuerall actes and estatutes aboue mentioned and rehearsed, and euery of them, and all clauses, artycles, and prouisions in them and euery of them conteyned, shalbe reuyued, contynued, stande, and endure in theyr full force and strength, to all intentes, constructions and purposes, and shall bee obserued and kept in all thynges vntyll the lasse daye of the nexte Parliament.

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AND where in the Parliament begon and holden at Westmynster the. xxi. daye of October, in the second and thirde yeares of the raygnes of the sayd late king Philip and Quene Mary, and there continued & kept vntill the. ix. day of December then next ensuing one acte was then and there made entituled: An acte for the reliefe of the poore, and to endure to the latter ende of the firste session, of the next Parliament. Forasmuch as the sayd acte is good and beneficial to the common wealth of this realme: Be it therfore enacted, ordeyned, and establisshed by thauthoritie of thys present parliament, that the sayd acte last aboue mencioned and rehearsed, & all clauses, articles, and prouisyons, in the same conteyned, shalbe reuiued, continued, stand and indure in ful force and strength, to all intentes and purposes, and shalbe obserued and kept in al thinges vntill the laste day of the next Parliament.

AN ACTE of a Subsidie of Tonnage and Bondage.

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IN THEIR most humble wise shewen vnto your most excellent maiestie, your poore and obedyent subiectes and commons in this your present Parliament assembled, that where as well your noble grandfather, of worthy memory, king Henry the Seuenth, the most victorious and mighty prince king Henry the Eight your moost deare father, the late Prince of worthy memory kyng Edward the sixt, your most entierly beloued Brother. And our late Soueraigne Lady Quene Mary, your most deare Sister, as other your right noble and famous progenitours, kinges of thys your Realme of England, time out of mynd, haue had and enioyed vnto them by aucthoritie of parliament, for the defence of the same now your realme, & the keeping and sauegarde of the Seas, for thentercourse of marchaundize, safely to come into, & to passe out of þe same certeine sommes of money, named subsidies, of al maner of goodes and marchaundize, coming in or going out of þe same your Realme. And forasmuch as we your said poore commons, vndoubtedly & most assuredly do trust & haue sure confidēce in your Maiesties good fauour & wil towarde vs your said poore commons, in & for the keeping and sure defending of the seas, against al persons, intēding or that shall intend the disturbaunce of vs your sayde commons in the entercourse and thinuading of this your Realm, to our molestacyon inquietynge & losse, which at any time cannot be borne, without þe great ercesse, and intollerable costes, charges and expences, of your Maiestie, which is not (when nede shal require in such cases) to be lacked at any time. But rather we your sayd commons wishing that
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such furniture of al thinges may be had in redynes frō time to time when necessitie shal require for the spedye indilayed prouision and helpe for the suppressing of such inconueniencies, disturbances and inuasions, humbly desire your most excellent Maiestie, benignely and fauourably to take, accept, & receiue these our pooze grauntes hereafter ensuing, as graunted of true hartes, & good willes, which we beare vnto your highnes towarde your said great costes, charges and expences, which may be expēded and laid out by your Maiestie for the causes aforesaid, when nede shal require, as the fynde frutes of our good willes and hartes towarde your hyghnes, although the same do or hereafter shal nothing in effect, cōteruaile the same your great charges, nor yet we your said pooze commons able fully to gratify your highnes by any meanes, yet neuertheles we your said pooze commons, by thaduisie and consent of the lordes spiritual and temporall, in this your presente Parlyament assembled, and by thauthoritie of the same, to thintente aforesayd, giue and graunt to you our Supreme leige Lady and Soueraigne, one Subsidye called Tonnage, that is to saye, of euery tonne of wyne comminge or that shal, or is come into this your Realme, by waye of marchaūdize, the some of. iii. s. and so after the rate. And of euery tonne of sweete wyne aswel maluesey as other, that shal or is come into the same your Realme, by euery or any marchaunt alien aswel by the marchaūtes of Haunse, and Almanay, as by any other marchaunt straunger, of what nation soeuer he be. iii. s. And so after the rate ouer and aboue the. iii. s. afoze graunted. And of euery aume of rennysh wine, comming or that shal or is come into this your Realme, by way of marchaundize, by euery or any marchaunt denizen, or alien, of what nation soeuer he be. xii. d. And also one other Subsidie called Bondage that is to say, of al maner of goodes and marchaundizes, of euery marchaunt denizen and alien, whatsoeuer he be, caried and to be caried out of this your sayde realme, or brought or to be brought, into the same, by way of marchaūdize of the value of euery. xx. s. of the same goodes and marchaundize. xii. d. and so after the rate. And of euery. xx. s. value of tyne and pewter vessell, caried out of this your Realme, by any and euery marchaunt alien, xii. d. ouer and aboue the. xii. d. aforesaid. Except and alwayes forpyled out of thys graunte of Subsidye of Bondage, all maner of wollen Cloth, made or wroughte or that shalbe made and wrought wythin thys your Realme of Englande, and by euery or any marchaunt denizen, and not borne alien, caried or to be caried out of this your said Realme. And al maner of wolles, wolleselles, and hides, and backes of leather, also caried or to be caried oute of this your Realme. And all wyne and all maner of fresh fishe, & bestial, comming, or that is or shal come into the same
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your realme. And further we your sayd poze cōmons, by thaduisse assent, & auctoritie aforesaid, giue and graunt vnto you our sayd Soueraigne liege Lady and soueraigne, for the causes aforesaid, one other Subsidy of all maner of wolles, wolvelles, & lether carryed or to be carryed out of this your realme, in maner & fourm folowynge (that is to say) of euery marchaunt denizen, of and for euery sack of wol. xxxiii. s. iiii. d. & for euery. ccxl. wolvels. xxxiii. s. iiii. d. and of & for euery last of hydes and backes of euery such marchaunt denize. iii. l. vi. s. viii. d. And of euery marchaunt stranger, not borne your liege man, as wel those that be made denizes, as herafter shal be made by letters patentes or other wise, as all other marchaunt strangers, of and for euery salke of woll. iii. li. vi. s. viii. d. and of & for euery. ccxl. wolvels. iii. li. vi. s. viii. d. & also for euery last of hydes & backes. iii. li. xiii. s. iiii. d. And so of all the sayd wolls, wolvels, hydes and backes, & euery of them after the rate that so is or shalbe carryed, to haue, take, enioy, and perceyue the subsidies aforesaid, & euery of them, and euery part and parcell of them to your highnes from the. xvi. day of Nouember last past durynge your life natural.

And further we your sayd poze cōmons most humbly desire your maiestie, & it may be enacted by your hyghnes by thaduisse & assent of the lordes aforesaid, & by your sayd cōmons, & by thaforsaid auctoritie of this present parliament assembled, & the giftes & grautes aforesaid, shalbe good & effectual according to the true meaning of the same. And & it may be further enacted by thaurtoritie aforesaid & if any wines, goodes, marchaundize, woll, wolvels, hydes, & backes of leather aforesaid, or other things afore specified, wherof the subsidies aforesaid or any of the is or shalbe hereafter due, shal at any tyme hereafter during & time aforesaid, be shipped, or put into any boate, crayer, ship, or vessel, to & intent to be carryed into the parties of beyond the seas, or els be brought from the parties of beyonde & seas into any port, hauē, creke, or other place of this your realm by way of marchaundize, & there layd on land (the subsidies aforesaid of & premisses due or to be due, by the reaso of this graunt not paid) or the collector of the same subsidy or his deputie, with & by & consēt knowledge & agreement of the cōptroller & surueyor, or one of the at the least, not agreed w for the same in & custome house, according to the true meanynge & intent of these aforesaid grautes & euery of the: & the frō the said. xvi. day of Nouember last past, & not before, al & said wines, goodes, marchaundize, wolles, wolvelles, hydes & backes and other the premisses aforesaid, & euery part and parcel thereof so shipped, or els put into any botes, crayer, or other vessel aforesaid to the intent aforesaid, or brought into this realme, & there laid on land, as is also aforesaid, shalbe and remaine forfeit to your highnes, during & time aforesaid, thone moitie or & value therof to your hyghnes

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hyghnes, and the other moytie to hym oꝛ them that shall lease the same, oꝛ sue foꝛ the same.

AND that it may please your highnes, that al marchaūtes, aswel denizens as straungers, cōming into this your realme, be wel and honestly entreated & demeaned, foꝛ such thinges as subtedy by this act is graūted foꝛ, as thei were in þ̄ time of your said noble progenitōꝛs, wout oppressiō to thē to be done, paying þ̄ subsidies afoꝛsaid.

And further that it be enacted by thaurthoritie afoꝛsaid, that if any goodes, marchaundizes, wolles, wolvelles, oꝛ leather afoꝛsaid oꝛ any part therof, of any marchaūt denizen, naturally boꝛne your liege man, which hath oꝛ shall passe out of this your sayde realme, after the said, xvi. day of November last past, durynge the terme of this gift and graūt, hath oꝛ shal happen to be taken with enemies oꝛ pyꝛates bpon the sea, oꝛ perished by infortune in any shyppe oꝛ shippes that shall happen to be taken, oꝛ perished within the time of the sayd graunt, wherof the subsidies afoꝛsaid, oꝛ any of them to your highnes due, oꝛ to be due, is oꝛ shalbe in fourme afoꝛsaid duely payde oꝛ agreed foꝛ, without fraude oꝛ collusion, & such losse oꝛ losses as ben befoꝛe rehearsed, be found & pꝛoued befoꝛe the treasurer of England, oꝛ the chiefe baron of your Erchequer foꝛ þ̄ time being, by the examinatyō of the same marchauntes yf they be alyue, oꝛ of their executors oꝛ administratours if they be deade, oꝛ two true credible persōs swoꝛne, oꝛ other reasonable witnesse and pꝛoues swoꝛne, witnessing the same marchaundizes so to bee losse oꝛ perished: that then the same marchauntes denizens that were oꝛ shalbe owners of the afoꝛsaid goodes, marchaundizes, wolle, wolvelles, hides oꝛ other marchaundizes afoꝛsaid, as shalbe so perished oꝛ lost if they be on lyue, oꝛ their executors and administratours, yf they be dead, & euery of them, by force and vertue of this act whē them lyketh, during the said terme, shall oꝛ maye newly shippe as much wolle, wolvelles, hides oꝛ other goodes & marchaundizes in the same port oꝛ portes in the which the same wolle, wolvelles, hides, oꝛ other goodes & marchaundizes afoꝛsaid so lost and perished, were oꝛ shalbe shipped, without any of þ̄ subsidies afoꝛsaid now graūted to be had oꝛ payde therfoꝛe to your highnes in any wyse.

And that al such profits of þ̄ pꝛemises so to be lost oꝛ perished, be certified into your chauncery by your said treasurer oꝛ chief Barō ther to remaine of record. And after such certificat made, þ̄ chaunceller of England, oꝛ þ̄ lord keper of your gret seale foꝛ the time being, shal make & deliuer vnto the said marchaūtes, their executors oꝛ administrators oꝛ any of thē, oꝛ to their attorney oꝛ attorneys in þ̄ behalfe oꝛ any of thē, as many & such wryttes and warraūtes to be directed aswel to the collectors of þ̄ subsidies afoꝛsaid oꝛ any, oꝛ euery of thē foꝛ the time being, as to the treasurer & barōs of your
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Exchequer for the time being, shalbe thought requisite and needefull for the sayde marchauntes, theyr executours, or adminystratours, or theyr attourney or attourneies, or any of them, or the said Collectours, or any of them, to haue for the obtaining aswel of the Shyping, as of the allowaunce therof.

And further, that euery marchaunt denyzen that shall Shyp hereafter any wolles, wolles, hydes, or any other goods and marchaundize in any Carriche, or Galley, shall pay to your maiestie during the tyme aforesaid, all maner of Customes, and all the Subsidyes aforesaid, as any alien borne out of thys your realme.

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 An Acte of a Subsidye and two Fiftenes and
 Tenth by the Temporalitie.



The care which we do perceyue your
 Maestie hath, mooste noble and re-
 doubted Soueraine, to reduce this
 Realme, and the imperiall Crowne
 thereof, nowe lately so sore shaken, so
 impouerished, so enfeabled and weake-
 ned into the former estate, strength,
 and gloire, doeth make vs not onelye
 to reioyce muche in the great bounte-
 ousnesse of almyghtye G D, who
 hath so merueylously, and beyond al
 worldly expectation preserved your
 Maestie, in these late difficulte and
 dangerous tymes. But also to studie and bend all our wittes and
 force of vnderstandynge, howe we maye like louing and obedient
 subiectes folowe our head, in this so noble and so necessary an enter-
 prise. And considerynge wyth our selues, that the decay hath ben, be-
 sides manye other thinges, especiallye in these thre. First wastynge
 of Treasure, Abandoning of strength, and in diminishing of the aun-
 ciente authoritie of your Imperiall Crowne.

We doe mooste earnestly and faithfully promise to your highnes,
 that there shall lacke no good wyl trauaile, nor force, on our behalfe,
 to the redresse of all this. But we shall be redy, with hart, will, strength
 bodye, liues, and goodes, not onelye to recouer againe that which
 is thus diminished, but if neede bee to recouer farther, (as farre as
 ryght, and the wyl and pleasure of God shall suffer) the olde dignitie
 and renoune of this Realme. The time and place whereof doth not
 rest in vs, but as mooste reason is, in your mooste noble Maestie,
 with the aduice of your honorable Counsaile. Neuerthelesse sence it
 doth so manifestly appeare to vs all, what inestimable wastynge and
 consumption of the treasure and auncient reuenues of this Realme
 hath been of late dates, and what greate newe charges, and intol-
 erable expenses your highnes is forced nowe to sustaine, by reason
 of the decaye and losse of percell of your auncient Crowne. So being
 not ignoraunte, that no worthy enterpryse, no noble attempte, no not
 so muche as the preservation of a strong and puyssaunt estate, may be
 without some masse of Treasure, presentlye to be hadde, and readye
 against all occurrentes.

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Therefore we your most obedient and louing subiectes, the lordes spirituall and tempoꝛal, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, to shewe our willing heartes, and good myndes vpon mature consultation had, haue condescended and agreed with one voice and most entier affection, to make your highnes at thys tyme a presente, not such in dede as in our affections we do wyshe it. and as we knowe moſte certayneſe oughte to be. But yet of youre accustomed clemencie whiche you do shewe to all men. We humbly on our knees praye your highnes not to reiecte it, but to accepte oure good wylls and hartly desyres herein, and that this our smal gyft may be by your highnes, the lordes spirituall and tempoꝛal, and the commons in thys present parliament assembled, & by the authoritie of the same enacted.

And be it enacted, that your highnes towarde the sayde greates costes and inestimable charges, shal haue by authoritie of this present parliament. two whole systenes, and tenthes, to be payed, taken, and leuied of the mouable goodes, cattelles, and other thinges vsuall to suche systenes and tenthes, to be contributorie and chargeable with in the shyres, Cities, Borowghes, Townes, and other places of thys your maiesties realme in maner and fourme afoꝛe time vſed. Except the summe of twelue thousande poundes therof, fully to be deducted, that is to say. vi. M. poundes of either of the sayd whole systenes and tenthes, of the summe that one whole systene and tenth atteyneth vnto. in reliefe, comfoꝛte and discharge of the pooꝛe Townes, cities, and Borowes of this your sayed Realme, wasted, desolate, and destroyed oꝛ ouer greatly emponerished, after such rate as was and hath afoꝛe this tyme bene had and made to euery shyre, and to be deuided in such maner and fourme as heretofore foꝛ one whole systene and tenth hath ben had and deuided. And the sayde two whole systenes and tenthes (therceptions and deductions afoꝛesaid, therevpon had deducted and allowed) to be payed in maner and fourme folowynge: that is to say, the fyrste whole systene and tenth, excepte befoꝛe excepted, to be payed to your highnes in the receipt of your hyghnes Exchequer, befoꝛe the tenth day of Nouember next comynge. And the said second systene and tenth, except befoꝛe excepted, to be payed to your highnes in the receipt of your Exchequer befoꝛe the tenth day of Nouember, in the yere of our lord God. M. D. lx.

And be it further enacted by the authoritie afoꝛesayed, that the knightes elected and returned of, & foꝛ the shyres within this realme foꝛ this present parliament. citezens of cities, & Burgeses of borowghs and townes, where collectours haue ben vſed to be named & appoynted foꝛ the collection of any systene and. x. befoꝛe thys time graunted, shall name and apoynte yereſy befoꝛe the laste daye of August, in eyther of the sayed. ii. yeres, sufficient and able persons foꝛ the collection
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of the said fifteenes, & Tenthes in euery of the said Shiers cities Bo-
rowes and Townes, the said persones the hauing Landes, Tenemē-
tes, and other hereditamentes, in his or their owne ryght of an estate
of enheritaunce of the yearly value of .x. poundes, or in goodes worth
a hundred pounde at the least. And also suche person or persones so by
them to be named and appointed for the collection of either of the said
fifteenes and Tenthes, shalbe by them seuerally appoynted and allot-
ted into Hundredes, Rapes, wapentakes, Cyties, Borowes, & tow-
nes. And also the said persons so named and appointed for the collecti-
on of the same fifteenes and Tenthes, shalbe charged and chargeable
vpon hys or their accompte or accountes in theschequer to be made,
with all suche somme or sommes of money, as the Hundredes, Rapes,
wapentakes, Cyties, Borowes, and Townes, where he or they shal
so happen to be appointed, amounte vnto, & of no more somme or som-
mes. And vpon the payment of such somes of money as he or they shal
be charged with, shalbe discharged and haue his & their Quietus est,
the non accompting or non paiment of any other his felows, or thin
sufficient of them or any of them notwithstandinge. And the names
and surnames of euery the said Collectours, for the sayd fifteenes and
Tenthes, during either of the said two yerres together with the place
allotted to theyr collectiō and charge, the saide Knightes, citezens and
Burgesses for the Shires, cities and Borowes, wherevnto they be
elected, named, and returned, shall certifye before the Queene in her
Chauncerye before the .xiii. daye of October, in euery of the same two
yeres, accozdig to the tenor of this act. And yf the default of any such
certifyinge he had or made in forme as is aforesayd, then the lord Chai-
cellour of England or keper of the greates Seale, for the tyme beyng:
shall immediately after, name and appoynt collectours for the collecti-
on of eyther of the sayd fifteenes and Tenthes in maner and forme as
the sayd Knightes of the Shyre, cytezens of Cyties and Burgesses of
Borowes should haue done and as aforesayd haue bene bled. The
whych sayde collectours and euery of them shall haue like allowaunce
vpon theyr accountes for theyr fees, wages and rewardes for the
collectyon of the sayde fyfteenes and tenthes, in as large manner and
fourme as anye Collectoure or Collectours of fyfteenes and Tente,
haue had at any season in tyme past. And that the Barons of the Que-
nes Exchequer for the tyme beyng, shall and may from tyme to tyme
awarde such proces for the speddy payment therof agaynst the Collec-
toure and Collectoures for the same, as by theyr discretions shall bee
thoughte conuenient.

Prourded alwaye and be it enacted by the auctoritie of this pre-
sente Parlyamente, that the sayd Lord Chauncelloure or keper of
the great Seale for the tyme beyng, Knightes of the Shyres, Cyte-
zens of Cyties, & Burgesses of Borowes, Townes and other pla-

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eschauyng auctoritie by this present act, to name & nominate the said Collectoures, of or for the said Fiftenes and Tenthes, shall vpon their nomination and election had and made, take by auctoritie of this present Parliament, sufficient recognizances or by oblygation of euery person so bi them to be named to be bound to the Quenes Maiesty in the double somme of the somme of their Collection, and to be indorsed vpon suche condicion, that yf the said Collector or Collectours do truly content and pay to the vse of the Quenes highnes, in her receipt of the eschequer, befoze the .x. day of Nouember, in euery of the said two yeres so muche of the summe of moneye allotted and appoynted to his collection as the same collector shall haue collected and gathred, and do like wyse after the sayd .x. day of the moneth of Nouember, in euery of the sayd two yeres, content and pay to the Quenes maiestyes vse at the same receipt, the residue of his collection & charge wythin on moneth next after such time as he shall haue gathered & collected the same residue. That then the said recognisaunce or obligation to be voyd, or els to stand in his ful strength and vertu, which recognisaunce or obligation so taken, the sayde knyghtes of the Shire, Citizens & Burgesles and euery of them, taking any such recognizances or obligation, shall certefie and deliuer to the Lord Tresurer, & Barons of the same Eschequer, befoze the same tenth day of Nouember, in euery of the said yeres, vpon paine of forfeiture of .x. pound to the Quenes hyghnes for euery recognisaunce or obligation so to be taken and not certified. And that euerye suche collectour vpon request to him made, shall make and knowledg the same recognisaunce or oblygatiō accordingly vpon like paine and forfeiture of .x. pound to the Quene for his refusal therof. And the Tresurer or Barons of the Eschequer, vppon the paiement of the same collection, or at the sayde dayes, shall cancell and deliuer the said recognisaunce or obligatiō to the said collectoure or collectoures, without any fee or reward to be payd to any person for the same.

And furthermoze for the greate and wayghthe considerations aforesayde. We the Lordes Sperrytuall and temporall, and the Commons of thys present Parliament assembled, do by youre lyke assent and auctoritie of this Parliament, geue and graunt to your hyghnes our said Soueraigne Lady, the Quenes Maiestie, your Heyres and Successours one entier Subsidie to be rated, taxed, leuied, and paid at two seuerall paiementes of euery person, Sperrytuall and temporal, of what estate or degree he or they be, according to the tenour of thys Act in maner and forme folowynge, that is to saye aswel of euery personne borne within this realme of Englād, Wales or other the Quenes Dominions, as of al and euerye fraternitie, Guilde, Corporation, Mysterie, Brotherheade, and Comminaltie, corporated, or not corporated within this realme of Englād, Wales, or other the Quenes Dominions beyng worth fyue poundes, for euerye pound, as well in coyne
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and the value of every pound that every such person, fraternitie, guild, corporation, misterie, brotherheade, comminaltie, corporat, or not corporat, hath of his or thir owne or any other to his or their use, as also plate, stocke of marchaundizes, al maner of corne and blades, household stuffe, & of al other goodes moueable, as well within the realme as without and of al such sommes of money as to him or them is, or shalbe owynge whereof he or they trust in his or theyr consciences surely to be payd (except & out of the premisses deducted such sommes of money as he or they owe, and in his or their consciences intendeth truely to pay, and except also thapparell of such persons, their wyues and chyldren, belongyng to theyr owne bodies (sayng iewels, gold, syluer, stone, and pearle) shall pay to and for the fyfte paymente of the said Subledye. xx. d. of every pound, and to & for the second paymēt of the said Subledye. xii. d. of every pound. And also every alien & stranger borne out of the quenes obeysaunce, as wel denizen as others, inhabityng within this realme, of every pound that he or they haue in corne, and the value of every pound in plate, corne, graine, marchaundizes, household stuffe, or other goodes, iewels, cattells, moueable or vnmoueable, as is aforesayd, as wel within this realme as withoute & of al sommes of money to him or the owynge, whereof he or they trust in his or theyr consciences to be payd (except and of the same premisses deducted, every such somme or somme of money, whych he or they doo owe, and in his or theyr conscience or consciences entend truely to pay) shall pay of and for every pound, to and for the fyfte paymente of the said Subledye. iiii. s. iiii. d. and to and for the seconde paymente of the said Subledye. ii. s. of every pound. And also that every alien & stranger, borne out of the quenes dominions, beyng denizen or not denizen, nor beyng contributory to anye the rates aboue sayde, shall pay to and for the fyft paymente of the said subledye. iiii. d. and to and for the seconde payment of the said subledye other iiii. d. for every poll. And the maister, or he or she wyth whome the same alien is, or shalbe abidyng at the tyme of the taxatyon or taxatyonis thereof, to be charged with the same for lacke of paymente thereof.

AND BE IT further enacted by thauthoritie aforesaide, that every person borne vnder the quenes obeysaunce, & every corporation fraternitie, gylde, misterie, brotherheade, and comminaltie, corporate or not corporate, for every ponde that euery of the same person, and every corporation, fraternitie, gylde, misterie, brotherheade, and commynaltie, Corporate or not Corporate, or anye other to his or theyr use hath in fee simple, fee taylor, for terme of lyfe, terme of yeares, by executyon wardeshyppe, or by coppe of court roll, of, and in anye honours, Castels, Manours, Landes, Tenementes, Rentes, serucces, hereditamentes, annuities, fees, corrodies, or other yearly profits, of the yerely value of. xx. s. as wel within auncient Demeane

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And other places privileged, or els where, and so by wardes, shall paye to and for the fyrst payment of the saide subledye. ii. s. viii. d. of and for euery pound, and to and for the second payment of the sayd subledye, xvi. d. of and for euery pound. And euery alien boyn out of the quenes obeyssaunce, in such case, to paye at the fyrste of the sayde paymentes, v. s. iiii. d. of euery pound, and at the second payment. ii. s. viii. d. of and for euery pound. And that all sommes presented and chargeable by this acte either for goodes, and debtes, or either of them, or for landes and tenementes, and other the pzemisses as is in this act conteyned, shalbe at either of the sayde paymentes, set and taxed after the rate and portion, according to the true meaninge of this acte (landes and tenementes, chargeable to the diennes of the cleargy, & yerely wages due to seruantes for their yearly seruice, other then the Quenes seruantes, taking yerely wages of fine poundes or aboue, onely excepted & forpyled.) And that all plate coyne, iewels, goodes, debtes, and cattelles personelles, being in the rule and custody of any person and persones, to thuse of any corporation, fraternitie, guild, misterye, brotherhead, or any comminalty, being corporate or not corporate, be and shalbe rated, sette, and charged by reason of this acte, as the value certified by the presenters of that certificate, to be sworne of euery pound in goodes and debtes, as is abouesayde. And of euery pounce in landes, tenementes, annuities, fees, corrodies, or other yearely profytes, as is abouesayd. And the sommes þ are before rehearsed, set & taxed to be leuyed and taken of them that shall haue such goodes in custody or otherwyle charged for landes as is before rehearsed. And þ same persõ or person, and body corporate, by aucthority of this act shalbe discharged against him or the that shal or ought to haue þ same, at the tyme of the paiment or deliuey therof, or at his other wyle departure frõ the custody or possession of the same. Except, and alwayes forpyled frõ the charge & assessemēt of this subledy, al goodes, cattels, iewels, & ornamētes, of churches & chappels, which haue bene ordeined & vsed in churches or chappels, for the honoz and serayce of almighty God.

And the fyrst payment of the sayd subledy shalbe by the auctoritie aforesayd, taxed, assessed, and rated accordinge to this acte, in euery shyre, rydyng, lath, wapentake, rape, citie, borough, towne, and euery other place within this Realme of England, and Wales, and other the Quenes Dominions, before the last day of Apryll next commyng. And the second payment of the sayd subledy, shall be by th aucthoritie aforesayd, taxed, assessed, & rated, before the. xx. day of January nexte commyng. And the perticuler sommes of euery shyre, rydyng, borough, towne, and other places aforesaid, with the perticuler names of such as are chargeable for and to the fyrst paiment of the saide subledie, to be taxed and set by the commissioners to the same limited, or two of them at the least with the names of the highe collectoures, and in the same

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same forme shalbe certified into the quenes Exchequer, before the last day of May next coming. And the perticuler sommes of euery shire riding, borough, towne, and other places aforesaid, with the perticuler names of such as are chargeable for and to the second paymente of the said subledie, to be taxed and set by commissioners to the same to be limytted, or two of them at the least, with the names of the hygh collectors, and in the same forme shalbe certified into the quenes exchequer before the .xx. day of february, which shalbe in the yeare of oure Lord God. M. D. lix. And the said sommes in maner & forme aforesayd, to be taxed for the fyrst payment of the sayd subledye, shalbe paid into the quenes receipt of her Exchequer aforesaid, to the vse of oure said soueraigne Lady, before the .xxiii. day of June next commynge, and the said sommes in maner & forme aforesaide, to be taxed for the second payment of the said subledye, shalbe paid into the receypte aforesaid to the vse aforesaid, before the first day of Marche, whyche shalbe in the yeare of our Lord god, M. D. lix. And the somme abouesaid, of and for the said subledie, shalbe taxed, set, axed, and demaunded, taken gathered leuied, and paid to thuse of our said soueraigne Ladye, her heires and successours, in forme abouesaide, as wel within the lybertyes, franchises, sanctuaries, auncient Demeane & other whatsoeuer place exempte or not exempte, as withoute. Excepte suche hyres places, and personnes as shalbe forpyled in and by this presente acte, any graunt, charter prescription, vse, or libertie, by reason of any letters patentes or other priuiledge, prescription, allowaunce of y same, or whatsoeuer other matter of discharge heretofore to the contrarpy made, graunted, vled, or obtained notwithstanding.

And it is further enacted by thauthozitie of this present parliament that euery such persō, as wel such as be borne vnder y quenes obersaunce, as euery other person straunger borne, denizen or not denizen, inhabiting within this Realme or within Wales, or other the quenes dominions, which at the time of the saide assessinges or taxations, or of either of the, to be had or made, shalbe out of thys Realme, & out of Wales, and haue goodes, or Cattels, landes, or tenementes, fees, or annuities, or other profits within this Realme, or in Wales shalbe charged and chargeable for the same, by the certificate of the inhabytauntes or the parties where such goodes, cattels, Landes, tenementes, or other the premises, then shalbe, or in suche other place wher such person, or his factor, Deputy or attorney, shal haue hys most resort vnto wthin this realme, or in Wales, in like maner as if the sayd persō were, or had bene at the time of y said assessing wthin this realme. And y euery person abiding or dwelling wthin this realme, or without this realme shalbe charged or chargeable to the same subledye graunted by this acte, accorpyng and after the rate of suche yearelye sub-
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Staunce, or balue of landes & tenementes, goodes, cattels, and other the premysles, as euery personne so to be charged shal be set at, in the tyme of the saide assessinge or taxation vpon him to be made, and in none other wyse.

And further be it enacted by thauthoritie, aforesaid, that for the assessing & ordering of the said subside to be duely had, the lord Chauncellour of England, or his keeper of the gret seale, the lord Tresourer of England, the Lord Steward of the Quenes maiesties householde, the lord president of the Quenes honorable counsaile, & the lord pryuy Seale for the time being, or two of them at the least, whereof the lord chauncellour of England, or keeper of the gret Seale for the time being to be one, shal and may name & appoint, of & for euery shire, and ridyng, & other places, as wel within this Realme, as in Wales, & other the Quenes Dominions, & also of & for euery citie & towne, beyng a countie in it selfe, and of, and for the Isle of Waighte, suche certayne numbze of persons of euerye of the same shires, Rydynges, Lathes, Wapentakes, Rapes, Cities, Townes, & Isle of Waight, and euerye other place, and other thynhabitauntes of the same, to be Commysioners of and within the same whereof they be inhabytanutes. And also of, and for the honorable householde of the Quenes Maiesty, in what shyre or other places the said household shal happen then to be. And the Lord Chauncellour, or keeper of the greates Seale, and other with him befoze named, in like maner may name and appoynte of euery other suche Borough and Towne corporate, as well in England as in Wales, & other the Quenes Dominions, as they shal thinke requisite. vi. v. iiii. iii. or ii. of the head officers, & other sad honest inhabitauntes of euery of the said cities, boroughes, & townes corporate according to the numbze & multitude of the people beyng in the same, the which persons, if any such be ther vnto named, of the said inhabitauntes of the said boroughes & townes corporate, not being countie in the selues, shalbe ioyned and put in as commissioners, with persons named for such shires and Rydynges, as the said Boroughes and townes corporate, not beyng countie in them selues, be set and haue their beyng, which persons so named for & of the said boroughes & townes corporate, not being countie by reason of the dwellinge in the same, shal not take vpon the, ne none of the, to put any parte of their comission in execution, for the premysles out of the said boroughes & townes corporate, wherein they being so named, onely for the same be dwellinge. And also not to execute the said comission within the borough or towne corporate, wher they be so dwelling but at such daies & times as the said other comissioners, for the same shire, & ridyng shal therevnto limit and appoint within the same Borough, or Towne Corporate, not beyng countie Corporate, whereof they so be, and not out of such Borough or Towne, and in that maner to be aidynge and assystynge

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assisting with the sayd other Commissioners, in and for the good executing of the effect of the sayd Commission, upon payne of euery of the sayde Commissioners, so named for euery suche Citie, Boroughe, and Towne corporat, not beyng a countye, to make such fyne, as the sayde other Commissioners, in the Commission of, and for the said Shyre, or Ridinge so named, or thre of them at the leaste, shall by their discretions set and certifie into the Quenes Exchequer, there to be leuyed to the vse of the quenes Maiestie, in lyke maner as suche or lyke sommes had bene set and rated vpon euery suche person for the sayd Subsidy. The whiche Commissioners so named of, and for the sayde Cities, Boroughes and Townes, not beyng Counties, and onely put in the said Commission, by reason of their dwelling in the same, shall not haue anye parte of the portion of the fees and rewardes of the Commissioners, and theyr Clerkes, in this acte afterwarde specified. And the Lorde Chauncellour of Englande, or keeper of the greates Seale, for the tyme beyng, shall make and directe out of the Court of Chancery, vnder the great Seale, seuerall Commissions, that is to saye. To euery Shyre, Rydinge, Lath, Wapentake, Rape, Cytie, Towne, Boroughe, Isle and householde, vnto suche person and personnes, as by his discretion and other with him afozenamed and appoynted in like maner and fourme as is afoze rehearsed, shalbe thought sufficient for the selling and leuying of the said Subsidie, in all Shires and places accordinge to the true meaninge of this acte whiche Commission, for the fyrst payment of the sayde Subsidy, shall be directed and deliuered to the sayde Commissioners, or to one of them, before the fyrst day of Apryll nexte commynge. And the Commission for the seconde payment of the sayde Subsidie, shall be directed and deliuered to the said commissioners or one of them, before the fyrst daye of Januarie, whiche shalbe in the yere of oure Lorde God a thousande, fyue hundred fyfte and nyne. And to euery of the sayd commissions, ten scedules cōteynnyng in them the tenor of this acte shalbe affiled. By whiche commission the commissioners in euery such commissiō named accordinge to this acte, and as many of them as shalbe appoynted by the said commission, shal haue full power and auctoritie, to put the effect of the same commission in execution. And that by auctorite of this acte, after such commissions to them directed, they maye by theyr assentes and agreeementes seuer themselves for the execution of their commission, in hundredes, Lathes, wardes, Rapes, Wapentakes, Townes, Parishes, and other places, within the limittes of theyr sayd commission, in such forme as to them shal seme expedient to be ordred and betwene them to be comuned and agreed, accordinge to the tenor and effect of the commission to them therein directed, vpon whiche seuer aunce euery person of this present Parliament, that shalbe commissioner, shalbe assigned in the hundred where he dwelleth.

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Provided alwayes, that no personne, be or shalbe compelled to be anye Commissioner, to and for the execution of this present Acte, but oneiy in the Shire, where he dwelleth and inhabiterh. And that any person beyng assigned to the contrarve thereof, in anye wyse shall not be compelled to put in execution the effecte of this acte, or anye parte thereof. And it is also enacted by thautozitie of this present Parliamēt, that the Commissioners and euery of them, which shall be named limited, and appointed accordynge to this act, to be Commissioners in euery suche Shire, Riding, Lath, wapentake, Rape, citie, towne, boroughe, Isle, and the sayde Householde, or anye other place, and none other, shall truely, effectuallye, and diligentlve for theyr part, execute the effect of this present acte, accordinge to the tenoure therof in euerye behalfe, and none other wyse by anye other meanes, withoute omission, fauoure, dread, malyce, or any other thyng to bee attempted and done by them, or anye of them to the contrarve thereof. And the sayd Commissioners and as many of them as shalbe appointed by the sayde Commission and acte, shall for the taxation of the sayde fyrste paymente of the sayde Subsidie, befoze the sixte Day of Apryll, nexte commynge. And for the taxation of the sayd seconde payment of the sayde Subsidie shall befoze the fyrst Daye of January, whiche shall be in the yeare of our Lorde God a thousande, fyue hundred fiftie and nine, by vertu of the Commissions, deliuered vnto them in forme abouesayde, Direct their seuerall or ioynt precept vnto, viii. vii. vi. v. iiii. or thre or mo, as for the number of th inhabitantes, shalbe requisite of the mooste substantiall, discrete and honeste persons, inhabitautes, to be named by the sayd Commissioners, or by as many of them as shall be appoynted by the sayd Commissiō of, and in Hundredes, Lathes, Rapes, wapentakes, Wardes, Parishes, Townes, and other places, as well within Liberties, fraunchises, aunciente demeanes, places exempted, and Saintuaries as without, within the limits of the Shires, Ridinges, Lathes, wapentakes, Rapes, Cities, Townes, Boroughe, or Isle aforesayde, and other places within the limites of their Commission, and to the Constables, Subconstables, Bayliffes and other like officers, or ministers of euery of the said Hundredes, Townes, Wardes, Lathes, wapentakes, parishes & other places beforesaid, as to the said Commissioners, and euery nomber of them, or vnto thre or two of the by their discretion in diuision shal seme expediēt, as by the maner and vse of the parties shalbe requisite, streightly by the same precept, charging and commaunding the same inhabitantes, Constables & other officers aforesayd, to whom such precept shalbe so dyrected to appeare in their proper persōs, befoze the said cōmissioners or such nōber of the as they shal deuide the selues accordng to the tenor of p said cōmissiō at certain daies & places by the said Cōmissioners or any nōber of the

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as is aforesaid, within Cities, Boroughes, or townes corporate, or without, in any other place as is aforesayde, by their discretions shal be lymptted therevnto, to do and accomplishe al that to theym on the parties of the Quenes maiestie shalbe enioyned touchyng thys acte. Commaundyng further by the same precepte, that he to whose handes such precept shall come, shall shew or delyuer the same to thother inhabitauntes or officers named in the sayed precept, and that none of them fayle to accomplishe the same, vppon payne of .xl.s. to be forseyted to the quenes Maiestie.

AND it is further ordeyned by the authoritie of thys present parliament, that the sayde day and place prefixed and limited in the sayed precept euerye of the commissioners then being in the shyre and hauyng no sufficient excuse for hys absence, at the daye and place prefixed for that part wherevnto he was lymptted, shall appeare in hys proper person, and there the same commissioners being present, or as many as shalbe appoynted by the quenes maiesties commission, shal call or cause to be called before theym the sayde inhabitauntes and officers to whome they haue directed theyr sayde preceptes, and which had in commaundement there to appeare by the sayde precept of the sayde commissioners, and yf any person so warned make default, vntles he then be letted by sicknes or lawfull excuse, and that let then be witnesed by the othes of two credible persons, or yf any appear yng refuse to be swozne in fourme folow yng, to forseyte to the quenes maiestie for tye shyll ynges. And so at euery tyme appoynted by the sayd commissioners for the same taxation, vnto suche tyme the numbze of euerye suche persons haue appeared and certified in fourme vnder wyrtten, and euerye of theym so makynge default, or refus yng to be swozne, to forseyte to the quenes maiestie. xl.s. & vpon the same appearance had one of the most substaunciall inhabitauntes or officers beyng warned, and appear yng before the sayd commissioners, shalbe swozne vpo a boke openly before the comissioners in fourme folow yng.

I SHALL truelye enquier with my felowes that shalbe charged with me, of the hundzed, wapentake, ward, towne or other place of the best and most value of the substaunce of euery person dwelling and abiding within the limittes of the places that I and my felowes shalbe charged wyth, and of other which shall haue his or theyr most resort vnto any of the sayd places, and chargeable with any summe of money by this acte of this Subsidie, and of all other articles that I shalbe charged wyth touchinge the sayed acte, and acco dyng to the intent of the same, and therevpon as nere as it maye be, or shall come to my knowledge, truly to present and certifie before you, the names surnames, and the best and vttermost substaunce, and values of euery of them, as wel of landes, tenementes, and other hereditamentes, posses-

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possessions and profits, as of goods, Cattells, debte, and other thynges chargeable by the said Acte, without any conceilment, loue, fauor, affection, dreade, feare, or malice, as nere as God will geue me grace, so helpe me God and the holy contentes of thys boke. And euery other person that shall appeare there by the same preceptes, from tyme to tyme, shall make like oth, and vpon the othe soo taken as is aforesaide, by the inhabytauntes and offycers of euery Hundredes, Ward, Wapentake, Towne, or other place, the sayd Commissioners shall openly there rede or cause to be red vnto them, the said rates, and openly declare the effect of their charge vnto the, in what maner and forme, they ought and should make their certifycate, accordynge to the rates and Sommes thereof abouesayde. And of al maner of personnes, aswell of Alpyens, and Straungers, Denyzens or not Denyzens, inhabiting within thys Realme, as of such persons as be bozne vnder the Quenes obeyssaunce, chargeable, to thys Acte. And of the possessions, goods, and Cattells, of fraternities, Gylde, Corporations, Brotherheades, mysteries, and comminaltyes, and other as is abouesayde. And of personnes beyng in the parties of beyond the Seas, hauynge goods or Cattells, Landes, or Tenementes, within thys Realme, as is aforesaide. And of al goods, being in the custody of any person or personnes, to the vse of any other as is abouesaid, by the which information and shewing the said personnes, shoulde haue such playne knowledge of the true entent of this present Acte, and of the maner of their certifycate, that the same personnes shall haue no reasonable cause to excuse them by Ignoraunce, and after such othe, and the Statute of the sayd Subledye, and the maner of the said certifycate, to be made in wytyng, containing the names & surnames of euery person, and whether, he be bozne withoute the Quenes obeyssaunce or wythin, and the best value of euery person, in euery degree, aswell of yearely value, of Landes, & Tenementes, & of such like possessions and profits, as the value of goods and Cattells, debtes, and euery thing to their certifycate, requisite and necessary to them declared, the sayd commissioners, ther being, shall by their discretions apoynt and lymytte vnto the sayd personnes, another day and place to appeare before the sayd Commissioners, and charginge the sayde personnes that they in the meane tyme shall make diligent inqurye, by all wayes and meanes of the premys, and then, and there euery of them, vpon payne of forfeiture of forty shillings to the Quenes Maiestie, to appeare at the saide newe prefixed daye and place, there to certify vnto the said Commissioners, in wytyng, accordynge to their sayd charge, and accordynge to the true entent of the said graunt of Subledye, and as to them in maner aforesaid, hath bene declared and shewed by the Commissioners, at whych daye and place soo to them

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red and shewed by the commissioners, at which daye and place so to them prefired, yf any of the sayde persons make default or appeare and refuse to make the sayde certificate, that then euery of them so offendyng, to forfeit to the Quenes Maiestie fortye Whyllyniges, except onely a reasonable excuse of his default, by reason of sickenes, or otherwyle by the othes of two credible persons, there wytnessed be had. And of such as appeare ready to make certificate as is aforesayde, the sayd Commissioners there beyng, shall take and receaue the same certificate, and euery part thereof, and the names, values and substaunce of euery person so certified, and if the same Commissioners see cause reasonable, they shall examine the sayd presenters therof. And thereupon the sayd Commissioners, at the sayde dayes & place by theyr agreement amonges them selues, shall from time to time, openly there prefire a day, at a certayn place or places, within the limittes of theyr Commission, by theyr discretion, for theyr further proceadyng to the sayde assessyng of the same Subsedye, and thereupon at the sayde daye of the sayde certificate, as is aforesayde taken, the same Commissioners shall make theyr precept or preceptes to the Constables, Subconstables, Baylyffes, or other officers of such Hundredes, Wapentakes, Townes, or other places aforesayd, as the same Commissioners shall be of, comprising and conteynyng in the same precept, the names and surnames of al persons presented before them in the sayd certificate, of whom yf the sayd Commissioners, or as many of them as shall be thereunto appoynted by the Quenes Commission, shall then haue behemente suspecte to be of more greater value or substaunce in landes, goodes, cattelles, or summes of money owyng to them, or other substaunce beforesayd, then vpon suche person or persons shall be certyfied, the same commissioners shall make theyr precept or preceptes, directed to the Constable, Baylyffes, or other officers, commaundyng the same Constable, Baylyffes, or other officers, to whom such precept shall be directed, to warne such persons whose names shall be comprised in the sayde precept, at theyr mansions, or to their persons, that the same persons named in such preceptes, and euery of them, shall personally appere before the sayd Commissioners, at the same new prefired day & place, there to be examined by all wayes and meanes (other then by corporall oth) by the sayde Commissioners, of theyr greatest substaunce and best value, & of all and euery summes of money owyng to them and other whatsoeuer matter concernyng the premisses, or anye of them, accordyng to this act, at which day and place so prefired, the sayde Commissioners then and there beyng, or as many of them as shall be therunto appoynted by the Quenes Commission, shall cause to be called the sayde persons, whose names shall be comprised in the

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sayde precept, as is beforesayde, for theyr examination. And yf any of those persons which shoulde be warned, as is beforesayde, to be examined, whiche at any tyme after the warnynge, and befoze the prefired day, shalbe within such place, where he may haue knowledge of his sayde appearaunce to be made, make default, & appeare not, onlesse a reasonable cause, or els a reasonable excuse, by the othes of two credible persons, befoze the sayde Commissioners, be truely alleaged for his discharge: that then euery of them so making default, to be tared and charged to the Quenes Maiestie, with and at the double summes of the rate that he shoulde or ought to haue ben set at, for and after the best value of his land or substaunce, vpon him certified, yf he had appeared, by the discretion of the Commissioners there beyng, whiche Commissioners shall trauell with euery of the other persons so then & there appearynge, whose names shalbe expessed in the said precept or preceptes, & in whom any vehement suspect was or shalbe had, in fourme abouesayd, by al such wayes and meanes they can, other then by Corporal othe, for their better knowledge of theyr beste value, eyther in hereditamentes or possessions, eyther els in goodes or debtes.

And that euery spirituall person, at eyther of the said taxacions of the sayd Subsidye, shalbe rated and set according to the rate abouesayd, of, and for euery pound that the same spirituall persone or any other to his vse hath by discent, bargaine, or purchase, in fee simple, fee tayle, terme of lyfe, terme of yeares, by executiō, by ward or by copy of court roll, in anye Manours, Landes, Tenementes, Rentes, Seruices, offices, fees, Corrodies, Annuities, or hereditamentes, after the true, iust, and yerely value therof, after and according as other the Quenes Maiesties subiectes borne within this Realme, be charged in fourme aboue remembred, so that it extende to the yearely value of twenty shyllinges, or aboue.

And yf any person certyfied or rated by vertue of this Acte, be he Commyssioner or other, to any maner of value, doth fynde hym selfe greued with the same presentment, sellynge or taxynge, and thereupon complayne to the Commissioners, befoze whom he shalbe rated, sessed, or tared, or befoze two of them: That then the said Commissioners, shall by all wayes and meanes, examine particularly and distinctly the person so complaynyng, and other his neighbours by theyr discretion, of euerye hys landes and tenementes aboue specified, and of euery his goodes, cattelles, and debtes aboue mentioned, and after due examination and perfect knowledge thereof had and perceyued by the sayd Commissioners, whiche shall haue power by thauthozitie aforesayde: the sayde Commyssioners, or two of them, to whom any such complaynte shalbe made, by theyr
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discretions, bypon the othe of the sayde personne so complaynyng, may abate, defaulke, encrese, or enlarge the same assessmēt, according as it shall appeare vnto them iust, bypon the same examination. And the same summe, so abated, defaulked, encreased or enlarged, to be estreated in forme as hereafter ensueth. So that he come befoze the estreates of the same assessinge, be deliuered by the same Commissioners, into the Quenes Maiesties Eschequer. And if it be proued by witnes, his owne confession, or other lawefull wayes or meanes, within a yere after any such othe made, that the same person so taxed, and sworne was of any better or greater value in lands, goodes, or other thinges aboue specified, at the time of his said oth, then the same person, so sworne did declare bypon his said oth: That then euery suche person so offendinge, shall loose and forfeite to the Quenes Maiestie, so much in lawfull money of England, as the same person so sworne was set at or taxed to pay, and all persons, set, rated, and taxed as is abouesaid, shall be bounde & charged by the same, and the summe or summes bypon him set, to be due towarde the payment of the said Subledye, and to be leuied as hereafter shall be specified.

And also it is enacted by the same auctoritie, that euery person to be rated at the said taxation, as is aforesaid, shall be rated, taxed, and set, and the somme on him set, to be leuied at such place where he and his family, at the tyme of the same presentment to be made, shall kepe his house or dwelling, or where he then shall be moost conuersant, abiding or resiaunt, or shall haue his most resort, and shall be best known at the tyme of the said certificate to be made, and nowhere els, and that no Commissioner of this Subledye, shall be rated or taxed for his goods, or landes, but in the wyze and other place where he shall be Commissioner, and that if any person chargeable to this act, at the time of the same assessing, happen to be out of this Realme, and out of Wales, or farre from the place where he shall be known, then he to be set where he was last abiding in this realme, or within Wales, and best known, and after the substance and value, and other profits, of euery person, known by theramynation, certificate, and other maner of wise as is aforesayde. The sayde Compyssyoners or as manye of them as shall be appoynted by the Quenes Maiesties Commission, shall after the rate aforesaid, set and take euery person according to the rate of the substance and value of his landes, goodes, and other profyttes, wherby the greatest and most best summe, according to his most substance, by reason of this Acte, myght or may be set or taxed.

Proutd alwayes that euery suche person, whiche shall be set or taxed for paymente of and to this Subledye, for and after the yearely value of his landes, Tenementes, and other real possessions

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or profites, at anye of the sayd tarations, shall not be set and tared, for his goodes and Cattelles, or other moueable substaunce, at the same tarations. And that he that shalbe charged or tared for þe same Subledye, for hys goodes, Cattels, and other moueables, at any of the sayd tarations, shal not be charged, tared, or chargeable for hys landes, or other real possessions, and profites abouesaid, at the same tarations, nor that any person be double charged for the said Subledye, neither set or tared at seuerall places by reason of this act, any thing conteyned in this present act, notwithstanding.

And that it be ordered by the sayd authoritie of this presente Parliament, that no person hauinge two mansyons, or two places to resort vnto, or calling him selfe household seruaunt, or waitinge seruaunte to the Quenes Maiestie, or other lord or Lady, mayster or maistres, be excused vpon his saying, from the taxes of the sayde Subledye, in neither of the places wher he may be set. onles he bring a certificat in writing from the Commissioners, where that he is so set in dede at one place. And if any persō that ought to be set by reason of his remouing or resorcyng to two places, or by reason of hys saying that he els where was tared, or by reason of anye pryviledge by his dwelling or abiding in any place, not being forpyled in this acte, or otherwise by his couen' or crasse, happen to escape from the said tarations, and be not set, and that proued by presentment, examination, or informacion, befoze the said Commissioners, or as many of them, as shalbe by the same commysyon appoynted, or by the Barons of the Quenes Maiesties Eschequer, or two Justyces of the peace, of the countye where such person dwelleth, then euery suche person, that by such meanes or otherwise wyllyngly by couyn shall happen to escape from the sayde Taration or paymente aforesayde, and not be rated, tared, and set: shalbe charged vpon the knowledge and proffe thereof, wyth and at the double value, that he shoulde or ought to haue bene set at afoze, accordynge to hys behauoure. The same double value to be leuyed, gathered, and payde of hys goodes and Cattells, Landes, and Tenementes, towarde the sayde Subledye. And further to be punished accordynge to the dyscrecyons of the Barons, Justyces, and Commysioners, befoze whome he shalbe conuicted for his offence and deceit in that behalfe.

And further be it enacted by thauctorytie aforesayde, that the sayde Commysyoners of euery Commysyon, shall accordynge to theyr dyutyons, and after they be deuyded haue full power and auctorytie by thys Acte, to sette, tare and selle euery other Commysyoner, ioyned wyth them in euery suche Commysyon and dyutyon. And shall also assele euery assessor, within theyr
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diuision, for his & theyr goods, landes, and other the premises, as is abouesayd. By the which sayd Commissiō, the sayd Commissioners shall indifferently, set, tare, and aslesse them selues, & the sayd assessor. And that aswell the summes vpon euery of the saide commissiōners and assessor so sessed, rated, & tared, as the summes made and presented by the presenters, sborne as is abouesaid, shalbe witten, certified, set, and estreated, and the estreates therof to be made, with other the inhabitauntes of that parties, within the limittes of the same commissiō & diuision, so to be gathered & leued, in lyke maner as it ought or shuld haue ben, if the said commissiōner had not ben in the said commissiō. And that al persons of the estate of a Baron or Barons, and euery estate aboue, shalbe charged with their free hold and value as is abouesayd, by the Chauncellour or keper of the great seale, Treasurer of England, Lord presidēt of the Quenes maiesties priuie counsaile, and Lord priuie seale for the tyme beyng, or other persons by the Quenes Maiesties aucthoritie to be limited, & they to be charged for the sayd seuerall paymentes of the sayd Subsidy, after the fourme of the sayd graunt, according to the taracion afore said, & the summes vpon the set, with the names of the collectors appointed for the gathering and paying of the same to be estreated, deliuered and certified, at dayes & places aboue specified, by the lorde Chauncellour or keper of the great seale. Treasurer, Lord president of the counsaile, and Lord priuie seale for the tyme beyng, or suche other persons as shalbe limited by the Quenes maiestie. And after the taxes & aslesses of the said summes vpon and by the saide assellying and certificate as is aforesayd made, the sayde commissioners, or as many of the as shalbe therunto appointed bi the Quenes maiesties commissiō, shall with all spede and without delay, by the wrytyng estreated of the said tare therof, vnder the seales and signes manuel of the said commissiōners, or as many of them as shalbe appointed at the least to be made, shalbe deliuered vnto sufficient and substantial inhabitauntes, Constables, subconstables, baylyffes, and other officers, ioyntly of hundredes, townes, parishes, & other places aforesayd within their limits, or to other sufficient persons inhabitants of the same only, by the discretion of the said commissioners, and as the place and parties shal require, aswel the perticuler names & surnames, as the remembraunce of all summes of money, tared and set of, & vpon euery person, aswell man as woman, chargeable to this act, houlholder, & all other inhabitauntes and dwellers within the said parishes, townes, and places contributory to this act of Subsidie. By aucthoritie of which wrytyng or estreate so deliuered, the said officers and other persōs so named and deputed seuerally, shal haue full power & aucthoritie by vertue of this act, immediatly after the

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deliuey of the sayd wryting or estreat, to demaund, leuy, and gather of euery person therein specified, the summe or summes in the same wryting or estreat comprised. And for non paymēt therof, to distrain the same person or persons so beyng behynd by theyr goodes & catels, & the distres so taken, to kepe by the space of. viii. dayes, at the coltes & charges of the owner therof. And yf the sayde owner do not pay such sūme of money as shalbe taxed by this act, within þ same viii. dayes, then the same distresse to be appraysed by. iiii. iii. or. ii. of the inhabitauntes, where such distresse is taken, and also to be sold by the sayd Constable or other collectour, for the payment of the sayd money, & the ouerplus cōming of the sale and keping therof (if any be) to be immediatly restored to the owner of the same distres, which said officers and other persons so deputed, to aske, take, gather, and leuy the sayd sūmmes, shal aunswere and be charged for the portion onely to them assigned or limitted to be gathered, leuyed, & comprised in the said wryting or estreate so to them (as is aforesayd) deliuered, to the ble of our soueraigne Lady the Quenes maiestie, and her heires & successors. And the sayd summe in that wrytyng or estreate comprised, to pay vnto the hygh collectour or collectours of þ place, for the collection of the same, in maner and fourme vnderwritten, therunto to be named and deputed, and the same inhabitauntes & officers so gatheryng the same perticuler summes, for theyr collection therof, shal reteyne for euery. xx. s. so by them receiued & payd, two pence, and that to be allowed at the payment of theyr collection by them to be made to the hygh collectour or collectours.

And further be it enacted by the sayd auctoritie, that the sayde commissioners, or the more part of them, as shal take vpon thē the execution & busines of the said cōmission, shal for eyther of the same paymentes of the sayd subtedy, name such sufficient & able persons which then shal haue & possede landes and other hereditamentes, in their owne right, of the yereley value of. xx. li. or goodes to þ value of. CC. markes at the least. And the persons seuerally by the discretions of the same cōmissioners, in shires, ridinges, lathes, wapētakes rapes, cities, towne corporate, and other whatsoeuer places, aswel within places priuiledged as wout, not beyng forprised within this act to be hygh collectours, & haue the collection and receipte of the sayd sūmes, set, and leuiable within the precinct, limit, and boundes where they shalbe so limited, to gather & receiue, to euery of þ which collectours so seuerally named, the said cōmissioners, or. ii. of them at least, shal with al spede, & without delay, after the sayde whole sūme of the said subtedy, be set by all þ limits of the same their cōmission or in such limits as þ high collectours shalbe so seuerally assined, shal vnder theyr seales & signes manuell, deliuer one estreat indented in parchment.

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parchment, to euery of the said high collectors, comprising in it the names of al such persōs as were assigned to leuy the said perticuler sūmes, and the summes of euery hundred, wapentake, towne, or o-
ther place aforesaid, wth the names & surnames of þ̄ persōs so charge-
able, acording to þ̄ estreat so first therof made, as is aforesaid, & deliue-
red, & the collector so to be assigned, shalbe charged to answer þ̄ hole
sūme cōprised in þ̄ said estret limited to his collectiō, as is aforesayd.

Þrouided alwayes & be it enacted by thauctozitie aforesaid, that
the said cōmissioners hauing auctozitie by this act to name & nomi-
nate the said high collectors of the said substedy, shal immediatly vpon
the nominacion & election, take by auctozitie of this presēt parlia-
ment, sufficient recognisaunces or obligacions, without any fee or
reward to be payd therfore of euery person so by thē to be named to
be high collector, to be boūden to the Quenes maiestie in the double
sūme of the sūme of his collection, & to be endorsed and made vpon
such condition: þ̄ is to say, for the collection of the said first payment
of the sayd substedy, that if the said collector, his heyres or executors
do truely content & pay to the vse of the Quenes maiestie, her heyres
or executors, in the receipt of the said Eschequer, before þ̄ said, xiiii
day of June next commyng, so much of þ̄ said sūme of money allot-
ted & appoynted to his collection, as he shal collect and gather, and
content and pay the residue of his collection and charge, within one
moneth next after such tyme as he hath gathered and collected the
same residue: that then the sayde recognisaunce or obligacion to be
boide, or els to stand in full strength & vertue. And for the collection
of the second payment of the sayd substedy, vpon condiciō, that if the
said collector, his heyres or executors, do truely content and pay to
the vse of the Quenes maiestie, her heires or executors in her receipt
of therchequer, before the first day of March, which shalbe in the yere
of our Lord God, M. D. lxx. so much of the sayd summe of money al-
lotted and appoynted to his collection, as he shal collect and gather
and content and pay the residue of his collection & charge, within
one moneth next after such time as he hath gathered and collected
the same residue: that then the said recognisaunce or obligaciō to be
boide, or els to stand in full strength and vertue, which sayd seuerall
recognysaunces or obligacions so takē, the said commissioners shal
seuerally certifie and deliuer into the Quenes maiesties Eschequer
with the seuerall certificates of the sayd taxacions & rates of þ̄ pay-
mentes of the said substedye, at & by the time to them prescribed and
appointed by this act for the certificat of the sayd seuerall taxaciōs
of the said substedy vpon paine of forfaiture of. x. li. to þ̄ Quenes ma-
iestie for euery recognisance or obligaciō not certified. And that eue-
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hym made, shall knowlege and make the said recognyssaunce or obligation, upon lyke payne and forfeyture of. x. li. to the Quenes maiestie for the refusal therof, and euery collectour so deputed, hauing the said estreat in parchment, as is aforesaid, shall haue auctoritie by this act, to appoynt dayes and places within the circuite of his collection, for the paiment of the sayd Subsidy to him to be made, and therof to geue warning by proclamacion or otherwise, to al the Constables or other persons or inhabitautes, hauinge the charge of the perticuler collection, within the hundredes, parishes, townes, or other places by him or the limited, to make payment for theyr sayde perticuler collectiō of euery summe, as to the shall apperteyne. And if at the said day & place so limited & p̄fired by the saide collectour, the sayd constable, officers, or other persons or inhabitautes as is aforesayde, for the sayd perticuler collection assigned and appointed within such hundred, citie, town, or other place do not pay vnto the said collectours, the summe within theyr seuerall hundredes, townes, parishes, and other places, due and comprised in the said estreat therof, to the deliuered by the sayd commissioners, or some of them as is aforesaid, or so much therof as they haue by any meane receiued. ii. d. of euery pounce for the sayd perticuler collection as is aforesaid, alwayes to be therof allowed, excepted, & abated: That the it shalbe lawfull to the sayde hygh collectours and euery of them, & to theyr assignes, to distreyn euery of the sayd constables, officers and other inhabitaunts, for theyr sayd seuerall and perticuler collection of the sayd summes comprised in the sayd estreate and wrytyng therof, to them and euery of them, as is before exp̄essed, deliuered, or for as much of the same summe as so then shall happen to be gathered, & leuyed, and behynd and vnpayde by the goodes and cattelles of euery of them so beyng behynd. And the distresse so taken, to be kept, app̄ayed, and sold as is aforesayde; and thereof to take and leuye the summes so then beyng behynd and vnpayde. And the ouerplus coming of the sale of the sayde distresse (yf any be) to be restored and deliuered vnto the owner, in fourme aboue remembred.

Provyded alwayes, that no person inhabytyng in any citie, borough or towne corporate, shalbe compelled to be an assessor or collectour, of, or for any part of the sayde Subsidye, in any place or places out of the sayde citie, borough, or towne corporate, where he dwelleth.

And it is also by the sayde auctoritie enacted, that yf any inhabitant or officer, or whatsoeuer person or persons, charged to & for the collectiō or receipt of any part or porcion of the said subsidye, by any maner of meanes, accordyng to this act, or any persō or persons for the selues, or as heper, gardian, deputie, factor or attornei, of or

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for any other person or persons, if any goodes and cattels of þ owner therof at the tyme of the sayd assessing to be made, being out of this realme, or in any other parties not knowen, or, of and for the goodes and Cattels, of any other person or persons, of any corporation, fraternitie, mystery, or other whatsoeuer cominalty, being incorporate or not incorporate, & all persons hauing in their rule, gouernaunce and custody, any goodes, or Cattels, at the time of the said assessing, or any of thē, to be made, or which for any cause, for and by collection, or for him self, or for any other, or by reason that he hath the rule gouernaunce, or custody of anye goodes, or Cattelles, of anye other person or persons, corporation, cominaltie, fraternitie, guilde, or mystery, or any such other like, or as factor, deputy, or attorney, of or for any person, shalbe taxed, rated, valued, and set to any summe or summes, by reason of this acte, and after the taxation or assessinge vpon any such persō or persons as shalbe charged with the receipt of the same happen to dye, or depart from the place where he was so taxed & set or his goodes or cattels be so eloynd, or in suche priuy & couert manner kept, as the said person or personnes, charged with the same, by estreates, or other writings, from the said Commissioners, or as many of them as shalbe thereunto apointed by the said Commission, as is aforesaid, can ne may leui the same summe or summes, comprised within the same estreates, by dystres, wythin the lymyttes of theyr collection, as is aforesayd, or cannot sell such distresse or distresses, as be taken for any of the said paymētes, before the time limited to the high Collectour for his payment to be made in the Quenes Maiesties receipt, thē vpon relation therof, with due examination, by the oth or examination of such person or persons, as shalbe charged with and for the receipt and Collection of the same, before the sayd Commissioners, or as many of them as by the sayde Commyssyon shalbe thereunto appoynted, where suche person or persons, or other as is aforesayd, their goodes and Cattelles, were set and taxed, and vpon plaine certificate therof made in the Quenes Maiesties Eschequer by the same Commissioners, as well of the dwellinge place, names, and summes of the sayde personnes, of whom the said summes cannot be leuyed and had as is aforesaid, then as well the constables and other, inhabitants apointed for þ said perticuler collection, against the high collectors, as the high collector vpon his accoumpt and oth in the said Eschequer to be discharged thereof, and proces to be made for the Quenes Maiestie, out of the said Eschequer, by the discrecion of the Barons of the said Eschequer, against such person, his heires or executors, so being behind with his paymēt. And ouer þ the same commissioners to whom any such declaratiō of the premisses shalbe made in forme aforesaid, frō time to time shal haue ful power & autorite

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ritie to direct their precept or preceptes vnto the said person or persons charged with any sum, of, for, or vpon any suche person or persons, or other as is aforesaid, or to any sheriffe, Steward, Bailiffe, or other whatsoeuer officer, minister, person or persons of such place or places where any such person or persons, so owinge such summe or summes shal haue landes and tenementes, or other hereditamentes, or real possessions, goodes & cattels, wherby any such person or persons so indetted, his heires, executors, or assignes, or other hauing the custody, gouernance, or disposition, of any goodes, cattels, landes, or tenementes, or other hereditamentes, which ought or may by this act lawfully be distrained, or taken for the same, hath and shall haue goodes, cattels, landes, tenementes, or other possessions, wherof such summe or sums, which by any such person or persons, maye or ought to be leuiued, be it within the limittes of such Comynssion, where such persō or persons was and were taxed, or without, in any place within this Realme of England, Wales, or other the Quenes Maiesties dominions, marches or territories, by which precept aswel such person or persons as shalbe charged to leuy such money, as the officers of the place or places, where such distres may be taken, shall haue ful power and auctoritie, to distreine euery such person, indetted, charged and chargeable by this act, or his executors or administrators, of his goodes and cattels, his gardians, factors, deputies, lessees, fermours and assignes, & all other persons by whose handes or out of whose landes, any such person should haue rent, fee, annuities, or other profite, or which at the tyme of the sayd assessynges, shal haue goodes or cattelles, or any other thynge moueable of any suche person or persones, beyng indebted, or owyng suche summe, and the dystresse so taken, caused to be kept, appraysed, and solde in lyke manner and fourme as is aforesayd, for the dystresse to be takē vpon such persons, to be taxed to the said Subsidy, and being sufficient to distreine within the limittes of the collectours, inhabitauntes, or other officers, charged with, or for the same summes, so vpon them to be taxed. And if any suche dystresse for none payment, happen to bee taken out of the limit of the sayde persons, charged and assygned to leuy the same, the persons so charged for the leui of any such somme by dystresse, shall perceauē & take of the same dystresse, for the labour of euery person, going for the execution thereof, for euery myle that any such person so laboureth for y^e same, two pence. And euery fermor tenaunt, gardian, factor, or other whatsoeuer person, being distrayned or otherwyle charged for paymente of anye suche Summe or Summes, or anye other Summe, by reasonne of thys Acte, shalbe of suche Summe or Summes, of hym or them soo leuyed, and taken, discharged and acquyted at hys nexte daye of payment of the same

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same, or at the deliuerie of such goodes and cattels, as he that is so distrained, had in his custody and gouernaunce, against him or them that shalbe so taxed and set, any graunt or wytyng obligatorie, or other whatsoeuer matter to the contrary, made heretofore not withstanding. And yf any such person that should be so distrayned, haue no landes or tenementes sufficient, wherby he or his tenautes, & fermours maye be distrayned, or hath eloyned, aliened, or hyd his goodes and cattelles, wherby he should or myght be distrayned, in such maner, that such goodes and cattelles shall not be knowne or found, so that the summe, or by him to be payde in the said fourme shal, ne can be conveniently leuied. The vpon relacion therof to the Commissioners, or to as many of them as by the saide Commission shalbe therunto appoynted, where such person or persons was taxed and set, by the othes of him or the that shalbe charged with the leuy and payment of that summe or summes, the same Commissioners shal make a precept in such maner as is aforesaid, for to attach, take and arrest the body of such person or persons that ought to pay the sayd summe, and by this act shalbe charged with, and for the sayde summe & summes, and them so taken, safely to kepe in prisō with- in the Wyze or other place, where any such person or persons shalbe takē & attached, there to remaine without bayle or mainprise, vntyl he hath payd the same summe or summes, that such person for him selfe or for any other, by this act shalbe chargable or ought to be charged withal. And also for the fees of euery such arrest, to him or the that shall execute suche precepte .xx. pence. And that euery officer vnto whom such precept shalbe directed, do his true diligence and execute the same vpon euery person so beyng indebted, vpon payne to forsaite to the Quenes Maiestie for euery default in that behalfe. xx. shyllynges. And that no keeper of any Gaole, from his Gaole suffer any such persō to go at large, by letting to bayle, or otherwise to depart out of his prison, before he haue payde his sayd debt, & the said twenty pence for the said arrest, vpon paine to forsaite to the Quenes Maiestie. xl. shyllynges. And the same Gaoler to paye vnto the Quenes Maiestie the double value, aswel of the rate which the said person so imprisoned, was taxed at, as of the sayde twenty pence for the fees, and lyke proces and remedy in lyke fourme shalbe graffted by the sayde Commysyoners, or as many of them as by the said Commysyon shalbe thereunto appoynted, at lyke information of euery personne or personnes beyng charged with anye summe of money, for any other personne or personnes, by reason of the sayde Subsidye, and not thereof payde, but wylfully withdrawen, ne the same leuyable within the tymttes where such personnes were thereunto taxed. And yf the summe or summes, beyng behynde vnpayde

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vnpayde, by any personne or personnes, as is aforesayde, be le-
 uied and gathered by force of the said proces, to be made by the said
 commissioners, or yf in default or for lacke of payment thereof, the
 person or persons so owyng the sayd somme or sommes of money, by
 proces of the same Commissioners, to be made as is aforesayde, be
 comitted to pryson in fourme abouesayd, that then the sayd comis-
 sioners which shall award such proces, shall make certificate thereof
 in the said Eschequer, of that shall be don in the premisses, in the term
 next folowynge, after such somme or sommes of money, so being be-
 hynde shall be leuyed and gathered, or such person or persons for non
 payment of the same committed to pryson. And if it happen anye of
 the sayde Collectours to be assigned, or anye Maiors, Sheryffes,
 Steward, Constable, the hedborow, housholder, Baylyffe, or anye
 other offycer, or mynister, or other whatsoever person or persons, to
 disobey the sayd Commissioners, or anye of the, in the reasonable
 request to them made by the sayde Commissioners, for execution of
 the sayde Commission, or yf any of the officers or other persons, do
 refuse that to them shall apperteigne and belonge to do, by reason
 of any precept to hym or them to be directed, or any reasonable co-
 maundement, instaunce, or requeste, touchynge the premisses, or
 other defaulte in any appearaunce or collection to make, or yf anye
 person beyng suspecte, or not to be indifferentlye taxed, as is afoze-
 sayd, do refuse to be examined accordyng to the tenour of this acte,
 before the sayde Commissioners, or as many of them as shall be ther-
 unto assigned, as is aforesayde, or wyl not appeare before the same
 Commissioners, vpon warnyng to hym made, or els make resistaunce
 or rescous, vpon any distresse vpon hym to be taken, for any parcell
 of the sayde Subsidye, or commit any misbehauour in any maner
 of wyle, contrary to this acte, or commit any wylfull omission, or
 other whatsoever wylfull, not doynge or misdoynge, contrary to the
 tenor of this act or graunt, the same Commissioners, & euery nom-
 ber of them aboue remembred, or two of them at the least, vpon pro-
 bable knowledge of any such misdemeanors, had by informacion or
 examinacion, shall and may set vpon euery such offendour for euery
 such offence, in name of a fyne, by the same offendour to be forfeited
 forty shyllinges or vnder, by the discretion of the same Commis-
 sioners. And further the same Commissioners and euery number of
 them, or two of the at the least, shall haue auctoritie by this preset
 act, to punyssh euery such offendour, by imprisonment, there to re-
 mayne, and to be delyuered by theyr discretion, as shall seme to them
 conuenient, the sayde fynes yf any suche be, to be certyfied by the
 sayd Commissioners that so assessed the same, into the Quenes Ma-
 iesties sayd Exchequer, there to be leuyed and payde by the Collec-
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tours of that parties for the sayd Subledy, retourned into the sayd Eschequer, to be therewith charged with the payment of the sayde Subledy, in such maner as if the sayd fines hadde ben set and tared vpon the sayde offenders for the sayd Subledy.

It is also enacted by the sayde auctoritie of this Parlyament, that euery of the sayd hygh collectours, which shal accompt for any part of the sayde Subledy, in the sayde Eschequer, vpon their seuerall sayd accomptes to be yelded, shalbe allowed at euery of the sayd paymentes of the sayde Subledy, for euery pounce limited to hys collection, wherof any suche collectour shalbe charged and yelde accompt, fyre pence, as parcell of theyr charge, that is to say, of euery pound therof, for such person as the haue had the perticuler collection in the townes and other places, as is aforesayde, specified in his collection, two pence, and other two pence of euery pounce thereof, euery of the sayde chiefe collectours, or theyr accomptauntes, to reteine to their owne vse for their labour and charge, in, and about the premisses, and two pence of euery pounce residue, to be deliuered, allowed, and payde by the sayd collectours so beyng thereof allowed, to such of the commissioners as shal take vpon them the busines and labour, for, and about the premisses (that is to say) euery collectour to pay that commissioner or commissioners, whiche had the ordryng of the wrytynges, of, and for the sayde Subledye where the sayd collectour or collectours had their collectyon, for expences of the sayd Commissioners, so takyng vpon them the sayd busyness, and labour of their clarkes, wryting the said preceptes and estreates for the sayde collections, the same last two pence of euery pounce to be deuided amongst the sayd commissioners, hauing regard to their labour and busines taken by them or theyr sayde clarkes, in, and about the premisses, for the which part so to the sayde commissioners attayning, the sayd commissioners. vi. b. iiii. iii. or as many of them as shalbe therunto appoynted by the Quenes maiesties commission and euery of them ioyntly and seuerally for his and theyr said part, may haue his remedy agaynst the sayde collectoure or collectoures, which therof ben, and myght haue ben allowed, by action of debt, in which the defendaunt shal not wage his law, neither protection neither iniunction, or other essoigne shalbe allowed. And that no person nowe beinge of the number of the companye of thys present parlyamente, nor any commissioner, shalbe named or assygned to be any collectour, or subcollectour, or presentour of the sayd Subledy, or of any part therof, nor no commissioners shalbe compelled to make any presentment or certificat, other then in the Quenes Maiesties sayd Eschequer, of, for or concernyng the said Subledy, or any part therof. And likewise that none other persone that shalbe named or assygned to be commissioners in any place, to & for the execution of

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this act of Subsidy, be or shalbe assigned, or named head collectors of any of the paymentes of the sayd Subsidy, neyther of anye parte therof. And that euery such person or persons whiche shalbe named and appoynted as is aforesayd, to be head collectours, in and for the fyrst payment of this Subsidy, shall not be cōpelled to be collectour for the second payment of the sayd Subsidy, or for any part therof. And the sayde collectours whiche shalbe assigned for the collection of the sayde Subsidy, or for any part thereof, and euery of them, be and shalbe acquitted and discharged of all maner fees, rewardes, and of euery other charges in the Quenes Maiesties Erchequer, or els where, of them or any of them, by reason of that collection, paymēt, or accomptes, or any thyng concernyng the same to be asked. And that if any person receiue, and take any fees, rewardes, or pleasures of any such accomptant: That then he shall forfeite to the Quenes maiestie, for euery peny, or value of peny so taken. b. s. and suffer imprisonment at the Quenes Maiesties pleasure. And after the taxyng and assessing of the sayde Subsidies, as is aforesayd, had or made, and the sayde estreats thereof in parchment vnto the collector, in maner and fourme before rehearsed, deliuered, the said commissioners which shal take vpon them the execution of this act, with in the limittes of their commission, by their agrementes, shall haue metyng together, at which metyng euery of the sayd commissioners which then shall haue taken vpon them the execution of any part of the sayde commission, shall by hym selfe, or by his sufficient deputy, truely certifie and byyng forth vnto the said commissioners named in the sayd commission, the certificat and presentment made before hym, and suche other commissioners as were limited with hym in one limite, so that the same certificat may be accompted and cast wyth the other certificates of the other limittes wythin the same commission, and then the said commissioners and euery noumber of them, vnto two at the least, as is aforesayd, if any be in life, or theyr executours or administratours of theyr goods, if they then be dead, shall ioyntlye and seuerally as they were deuyded within theyr limittes, vnder theyr seales by theyr discretion, make one or seuerall wytynges indented, conteyning in it aswell the names of the sayde collectours by the commissioners, for such collection and accompt in theschequer, & payment in the sayd receypt, deputed and assigned as the grosse and seuerall sommes wyrtten vnto euery suche collector, to receiue the sayd Subsidy. And also all fynes, amercyamentes, and other forfeitures, yf any such by reason of thys act, happen to be within the precinct and lymit of theyr commission, to be certified into the Quenes maiesties said Ercheker by the sayd commissioners, in whyche wytyng or wytynges indented so to be certified, shalbe playnely declared and expressed, the whole and entyre somme

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and assigned to the collection of the sayed summes. So that none of the sayed Collectours so certified in the sayde Eschequer, shalbe compelled there to accompt or to be charged, but onely to, and for the sum lymitted to hys collection, and not to, or for anye summe lymitted to the collection of his felowe, but that euery of them shalbe seuerally charged for their parte, limited to their collection. And yf the sayde Commissioners ioyned in one commission amonges theym selues, in that matter can not agree, or yf any of them be not ready, or refuse to make certificate with other of the same Commissioners, that then the same Commissioners maye make seuerall indentures in fourme aforesayde, of theyr seuerall lymittes or seperations of Collectours, within the lymittes of theyr commission, vpon, and in the hundredes, wardes, wapentakes, Lathes, Rapes, or suche other like diuisions within theyr sayde seuerall lymittes of theyr Commission, as the places there shall require to be seuered and deuyded, and as to the same Commissioners shall seeme good to make deuissions of their lymittes or collections, for the seuerall charges of the same Collectours. So that alway one Collectour, shalbe charged and accompt for his part to him to be limited onely by him selfe, and not for any somme lymitted to the part of any of hys felowes, and the charges of euerye of the Collectours, to be set and certified seuerallye vpon them, and euerye suche Collectour vpon his accompte and payment of the somme of money, limited within his collection, to bee seuerallye by hym selfe, acquitted and discharged in the sayed Eschequer, without paying any maner fees or rewarde to anye person or persons for the same, vpon the payne and penaltie last abouesayde, and not to be charged for any portion of anye other Collectoure. And yf anye commissioner after he hath taken certificate of them, that, as is aforesayd, shal befoze any such Commissioner be examined, and the sommes rated and set, and the booke and wytynges thereof being in his handes, or yf any Collectour or other person charged with any receipt of anye parte of the sayde Subsedye, or any other person, taxed or other wyse by this act charged with, and for any percel of the sayde Subsedye, or wyth any other sommes, or fyne, amerciente, penaltie, or other so; seiture, happen to dye befoze the Commissioner, Collectoure, or other whatsoeuer person or persons, haue executed, accomplished, satisfied, or sufficiently discharged, that which to euery such person shal appertaygne or belong to do, acco;ding to this act, then the executours and heires of euery suche person, and al other leased of any landes or tenementes, that any suche person being charged by this acte, and disceassynge befoze he bee discharged thereof, or any other to his ble onelye hadde of estate of enheritaunce, at the time that any suche person was named Commissioner, Collectoure, or otherwise charged with and for anye

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maner of thing to be doon, satisfied or paid by reason of this act, and al those that haue in theyr possessions or hands, anye goodes, or cat- tels, leasses or other thynges that wer to any such person or persons, at the tyme of hys death, or any landes, or tenements, that were the same persons at the tyme he was as is aforesayd, charged by this act shalbe by the same compelled & charged to do and accomplishe to do in euery case as the same person so being charged, should haue done & myght haue compelled to doe, if he had ben in playne life, after suche rate of the landes & goodes of the sayd commissioner, or collectour as the partie shal haue in hys hande, and yf the sayd commysioners for causes reasonable the mouing, shall thinke it not conuenient to ioyne in one certificate, as is befoze said, the the said person or persons, that shal fyrt ioyne together, or he that shal fyrt certifie the sayd wryting, endented as is aforesayd, shal certifie al the names of the commys- ioners of that commysion, wherupon such wrytynges shalbe there then to be certified, wyth diuisions of the Hundredes, wapentakes, wardes, tythpuges, or other places, to and amonge suche commys- ioners, of the same commysion, wyth the names of the same commis- sioners, where suche seperation and deuision shalbe, with the grosse summes of money, as well of and for the sayde Subledye, taxed or set, of, or within the said hundredes, wardes, wapentakes, or other places to hym or them deuided or assigned, that shal so certifie the sayd fyrt wryting, as of synes, amerciamentes, penalties, or other forfeitures, if any happen to be wythin the same lymyttes, whereof the same wry- tynges shalbe certified, and after such wrytyng endented, whiche as is aforesayde, shalbe certified, and not conteyne in it, the whole and full summes, set and taxed wythin the lymyttes of the same commis- sion, the other commissioners of the same, befoze the daye of payment of the sayde Subledye, shal certifie into the sayde Eschequer, by theyr wryting or wrytynges, endented to be made as is aforesayd the grosse and leuerall summes, set and taxed within the places to them limit- ted for the sayde Subledye, and other synes, amerciamentes, penal- ties and forfeitures, wyth the names of the hundredes, wardes, wa- pentakes, and other places to them assygned, or els by their said wry- tynges endented, to certifie at the sayde place, befoze the sayde daye of payment, suche reasonable causes for theyr excuses, why they maye not make such certificate, of and for the sayde Subledye, lines, amer- cimentes, and other forfeitures, growynge or sette by reason of the causes of theyr lettes, or of theyr none certifiynge, as is abouesayde, or els in defaulte thereof, proces to bee made out of the Quenes Ma- iesties sayde Eschequer, against the sayd commysioners, and euerye of them, not makynge certificat as is aforesayde, by the discretion of the Treasurer or Barons of the sayd Eschequer.

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aforesayd, that the inhabitantes of the parryshe of **Sapncte Martyn**, called **Stampforde** Baron, in the Suburbes of the Boroughe and Towne of **Stampford**, in the South part of the water, there called **Welland**, which hereafter shalbe contributoꝝ to the paument of this present Subsedye, graunted to the queenes Maiestie, her heires and successours, shalbe assessed, rated, and taxed for thys tyme, by suche commysyoners, whiche shalbe appoynted for the taxyng, ratyng, and lessyng of suche Subsedye, or tace within the countie of **Lyncolne**, and shalbe for this tyme contributoꝝ, and pay the sayde Subsedye to the Collectour or Collectours, which shalbe assygned and appoynted for the leuyng and gatheryng of the same, with the Aldermen and Burgeses of the sayd Boroughe and Towne of **Stampford**.

Provyded alwayes and be it enacted by the authorite aforesayed that all and euerye person and persons, hauynge Manoures, Landes, Tenementes, and other Hereditamentes, chargeable to the payment of the Subsedye, graunted to the Queenes Maiestie by thys acte, and also hauynge spirituall possessions, chargeable to her sayde Maiestie by the graunt made by the Cleargy of this Realme, in their conuocation. And ouer thys hauynge substaunce in goodes and Cattels chargeable by this said acte, that then if any of the saide person or persons be hereafter charged, assessed & taxed for the sayde Manors, Landes, and Tenementes and spirituall possessions, and also assessed charged and taxed, for his or their goodes, and Cattells, that then he or they shalbe onely charged by vertue of thys act, for hys and theys sayde Manors, Landes, Tenementes, Hereditamentes and spirituall possessions, or onely for his sayde goodes, and cattelles the best they of to be taken for the queenes maiestie, and not to be charged for both, or double charged for any of them, any thyng in this act conteyned to the contrary in any wyse notwithstanding.

PROVIDED alwayes that thys graunt of Subsedye, nor anything therein conteyned, in anye wyse, extend to charge the inhabitants, or dwellers in **Irelande**, **Jernesey** and **Garnesey**, or any of them, of or concerning any maners, lādes, tenementes, or other possessions, goodes, cattells, or other moueable substaunce which the said inhabitants or dwellers, or any other to their vse haue within **Ireland**, **Jernesey** & **Garnesey**, or in anye of the, or of for or concerning any fees or wages, which any of the said inhabitaunce or dwellers, haue of the queenes maiestie for their attendaunce & doing seruice to our Soueraigne Lady, in **Ireland**, **Jernesey** and **Garnesey**, or in any of the, any thing in this present act, to the contrary in any wyse notwithstanding.

PROVIDED also, that this present act of Subsedie, ne anything therein contained, extēd to any of the englishe inhabitants or reliauntes in any of the countres of **Northumberland**, **Cūberlād**, **Westmerland**, the town of **Barwick**, the town of **newcastel** byō **Tine** & the

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Bysshopricke of Durham, nor to anye of them, of for or concernynge any Mannors, Landes, Tenementes, or other possessions, gooddes, cattels, or other mouable substance, which the same inhabitauntes or dwellers, or any other to their vse, haue within the sayd counties of Northumberland, Cumberland, Westmerland, or the towne of Barwicke, the Towne of Newcastle vpon Tyne, or the Bysshopricke of Durham, or any of them, or of, for or concernynge any fees or wages which any of the sayd inhabitantes or dwellers haue of the Quenes Maiestie, for their attendaunce and doing seruice to the quenes maiestie, for or within the saied counties of Northumberland, Cumberland, Westmerland, the Towne of Barwicke, the Towne of Newcastle vpon Tyne, and the Bysshopricke of Durham, or anye of them to or for the sayd taring, leuynge, gathering or payment, but that the Englishe inhabitauntes, and resyauntes, and euery of the, of the said Counties, Bysshopricke and Townes, and euerye of them, shall be of and from the sayed Subledye, and euery percell therof, and for their Mannors, Landes, Tenementes, fees, wages, gooddes, and cattels, lyng and being in the sayed counties, Townes, and Bysshopricke, or anye of them, vtterly acquitted and discharged, any thyng in thys present act before rehearsed to the contrary notwithstanding.

H R O U J D E D also that all letters patentes, graunted by the quenes Maiestie, or any of her most noble Progenitours, to anye cyties, Boroughes, or townes within this Realme, of anye maner of libetties, priuileges, or exemptions, from the burden and charge of anye suche grauntes of Subledies, which be at thys present time in force and bayleable, shall remaine good and effectuell to the sayde cyties, Boroughes, and Townes hereafter, according to the purportes thereof, though the inhabitauntes of the same, shall vpon the great and wayghty consideration of the graunt abouesaid, be for this graunt charged and contributory, in like maner forme, and sort as other cyties, Boroughes, and townes, which be not in any wyse priuileged be from such graunt of Subledye excepted.

H R O U J D E D alwayes, and be it enacted by the authoritie aforesayde, that no Orphante, or Infante, wythin the age of one and twenty yere, borne within any of the Quenes Maiesties dominions, shall be charged to any payment of thys Subledye, for his or her gooddes, and cattels, to him or her left or bequethed, any thyng in thys act conteyned to the contrary notwithstanding.

H R O U J D E D also that this acte, nor anye thinge therein conteyned, shall extende to the gooddes or Landes of anye Colledge, Hall or Hostel within the vniuersities of Oxenforde and Cambridge or any of them, or to the gooddes or landes of the colledge of Wynton founden by Byschopppe Wykeham, or to the gooddes or landes of the colledge

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conteyned, shall extende to the goodes or landes of anye Colledge, Hall or Ostell, within the vniuersities of Orenford and Cambridge or any of them, or to the goodes or landes of the colledge of Winton founded by Byshoppe Wicheham, or to the goodes or landes of the colledge of Eton next Wyndesour, or to the goodes or landes of any common free gramer scole within the realme of England or Wales or to the goodes of any Reader, Scolemaster, or scoler, or anye graduate within the sayde vniuersities and colledges, or any of them, there remaynyng for study, without fraud or couin, or to the goodes and landes of any hospitall, measondrie, or spittle house, prepared and vsed for the sustentacion and reliefe of poore people, any thyng in this act conteined to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Prouryed also, and be it enacted, that forasmuche as dyuers and sundry the Quenes Maiesties tenauntes, and other inhabitauntes and dwellers within the counties of Penbroke, Carmarthen, Cardigan, Glamorgan, Brecknock, Radnour, Mongomerye, Denbigh, Flint, Merioneth, Anglesey, Carnarvon, and of the countie Palentine of Chester, be at this present time charged and chargeable with the seuerall paymentes of dyuers great sommes of money, by the name of Wyse, due to her Maiestye, accordynge to the seuerall customes of the sayd counties.

Be it therefore ordeyned and enacted by the aucthoritye aforesayde, that this act of Subsidy, or any thyng therein conteyned, shall not extende to charge anye of the Quenes tenauntes, and other inhabitauntes and dwellers within any of the sayd counties of Penbroke, Carmarthen, Cardigan, Glamorgan, Brecknocke, Radnour, Mongomery, Denbigh, Flint, Merioneth, Anglesey, Carnarvon, and the countie Palentine of Chester, beyng charged or chargeable with the sayde Wyse, for, or in anye of the paymentes of the sayde Subsidy graunted to the Quenes Maiestie by thys acte, vntyll the sayde seuerall dayes and tymes for the payment of the sayde Wyse shall be expyred, and vntyll the dayes and times of the seuerall Subsidies, lately graunted to our late soueraigne Lord and soueraigne Lady, king Phillip, and Quene Mary, be also past and expyred, and that then the fyrst payment of the sayd Subsidy graunted by thys present acte, shall be made at the receipte of the Quenes Exchequer, before the fyrst day of March next folowynge after the laste dayes of the last payment to be had or appoynted of the sayde Wyse, and of the payment of the said former Subsidies. And the second payment of this Subsidy to be made by, or before the fyrst day of March next after the sayd fyrst payment of the sayde Subsidie.

Furthermore, be it enacted by thiauthoritie aforesayde, that the tenauntes and dwellers of euerye of the sayde counties in thys prourpso remembred, shall seuerally before the feast of Penthecost next ensuyng,

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ensuyng, certifie into the sayd court of Erchequer, vnder the seales of two Iustices of peace of euery of the said countie, wherof one to be of the *Quorum*, when and what day the last payment of the saide seuerall *Dyals* nowe due in any of the sayde countie, shall ende and expyre.

Provyded also, that the sayd graunt of Subsidye, or anye other thyng therein conteyned, do not in any wise extende to be prejudiciall or hurtefull to thynhabytauntes or resiauntes at thys presente tyme, wythin the fyue portes corporate, or to any of theyr membres incorporate or vnited to the same fyue portes, or to any of the same fyue portes, of, or for any part or parcell of the sayd sommes graunted in this Parliament, of the sayd inhabytauntes nowe resiaunt, or any of them, to be tared, set, asked, leuyed or payde. But the sayde inhabitauntes and resiauntes in the said fyue portes, & theyr members, be and shalbe of, and from the sayd graunt and payment of the sayd Subsidy, duryng their resiauncie there, and no lenger, clerely acquitted and discharged. Any matter, or whatsoeuer thyng in thys present acte had or made to the contrary notwithstanding.

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AT THE
Parliament hol

den at Westmynster, the .xii. of
January, in the fifth yere of the reigne
of our Soueraigne Ladye, Eliza-
beth by the grace of God, of
Englande, Fraunce, and
Ireland, Quene, de-
fendour of the
Faith. &c.

To the hygh pleasure of Almighty
God, and the weale publique
of this Realme, were
enacted as fo-
loweth.

Anno. 1563.

